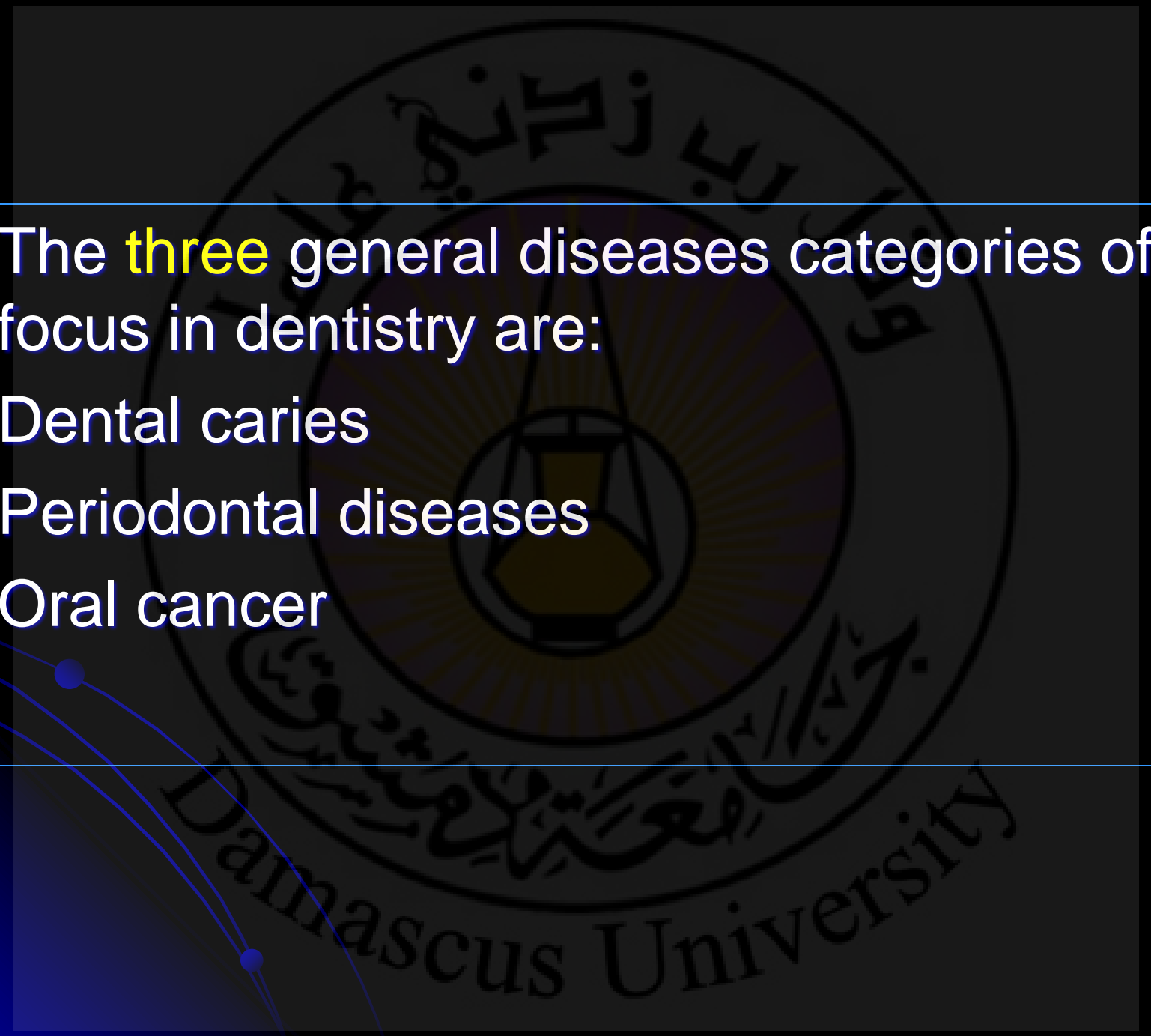


Dental Caries

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- The **three** general diseases categories of focus in dentistry are:
 - Dental caries
 - Periodontal diseases
 - Oral cancer

- عرفت منظمة الصحة العالمية **نخر الأسنان** : بأنه النهج المرضي الموضع على الأسنان بعد بزوغها ويترافق بتلين النسيج المتكلسة ومن ثم تشكل بؤرة نخرة تسمى حفرة النخر.
- أما العالم فرانك فقد عرفه بأنه: مرض جرثومي لا نوعي يحدث بسبب جراثيم اللويحة السنية المسؤولة عن تدمير بلورات الهيدروكسي أباتيت السنية.


- ❑ Dental caries is a dietary bacterial infectious disease with saliva as a critical regulator.
- ❑ It is the most common chronic infectious disease of childhood



Caries process takes place in the biofilm on the tooth surface .

Carious lesion is the result of carious process developing between the microbial biofilm and tooth structure

The metabolic activity of the microorganisms in the biofilm is invisible to the clinician, but carious lesion that is a result of this activity is clinically apparent.

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- ❑ Maintaining a disease-free state can result from **primary prevention**.
 - ❑ When lifestyle changes are made early on, the risk for developing dental disease are minimized.

Lifestyle changes

- – less carbohydrates
- – better oral hygiene
- – improved nutrition
- – better education

- **Secondary prevention** (reverse, arrest incipient caries) and **early intervention** (MID & Preventive measures)

can be used to reverse the initiation of disease.



- An outcome of good health can still be achieved, when incipient enamel lesions are reversed before cavities form.

MID- minimal intervention dentistry

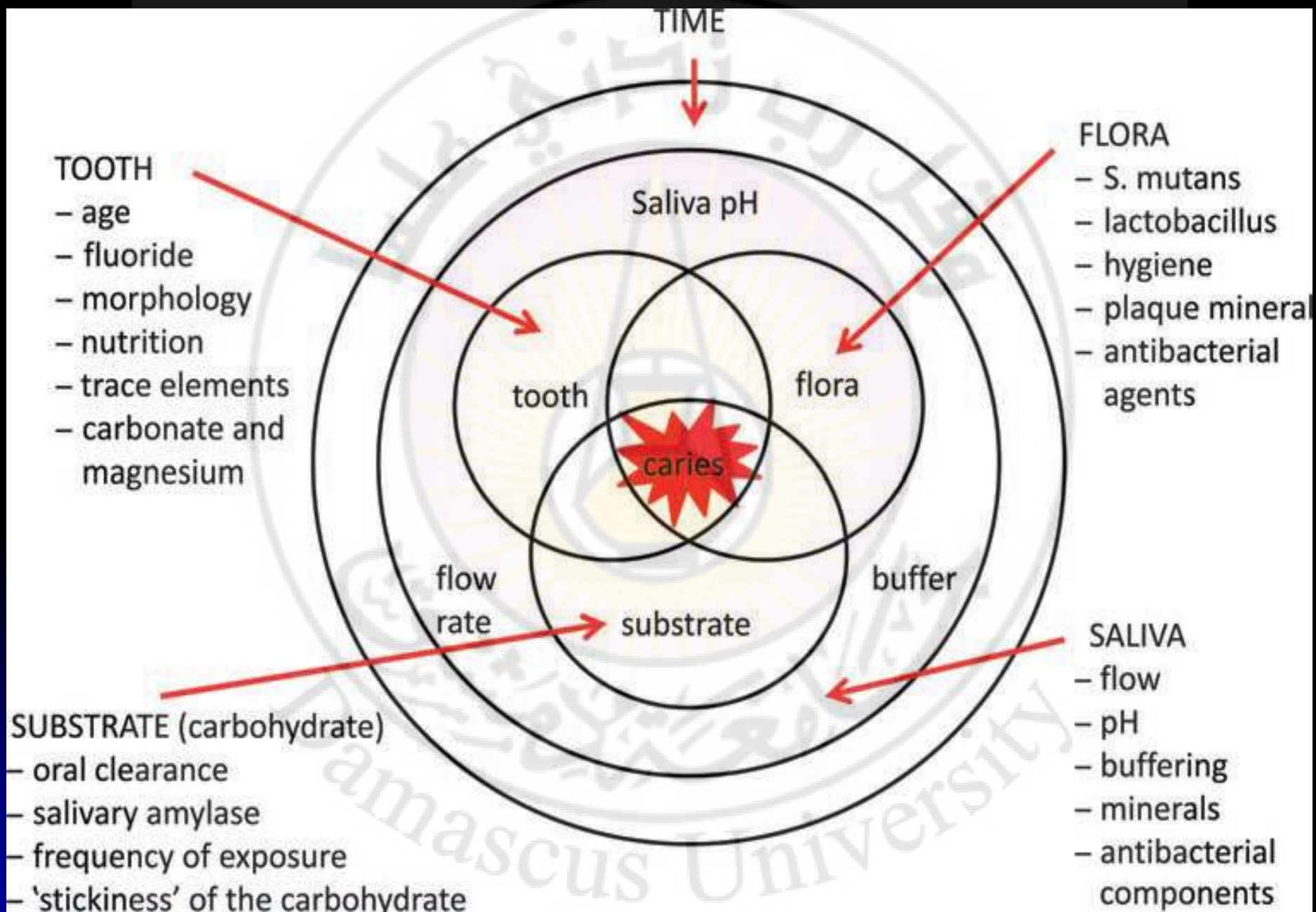
العوامل المؤثرة في حدوث النخر السني

- ١- شكل وبنية الأسنان (عوامل ذاتية).
- ٢- اللويحة الجرثومية.
- ٢- النظام الغذائي (دور الكربوهيدرات).
- ٣- التدفق والتركيب اللعابي.
- ٤- الوقت الكافي لحدوث النخر.
- ٥- الفلور.

Determinants of high caries risk in children and adolescents [Davies and Davies, 2008]

Factor	Feature
Diet	Characterized by high sugar intake
Current disease	Previous caries or high DT/DS
Saliva	Low flow
Appliances	Orthodontic fixed appliances
Dental attendance patterns	Infrequent, symptomatic attendance
Restorations	Evidence of previous disease
Socio-economic	Deprived communities
Family	Family and sibling history of caries and poor attendance
Medications	Sugared medications

DT/DS = Decayed teeth/decayed surfaces.



- تأخذ الآفة النخرية فترة أشهر أو سنين حتى تتشكل، فالنخور السنوية ليست انحلالاً معدنياً متراكماً بل عملية ديناميكية تتميز بفترات متعاقبة من الانحلال المعدني و إعادة التمدن .
- تظهر الآفة عندما يزيد الميزان السلبي للإنحلال المعدني عن نسبة إعادة التمدن في فترة زمنية معينة.



World Cavity-Free Future Day

OCTOBER 14TH 2020

DENTAL CARIES (TOOTH DECAY) IS THE DISEASE WHICH, WHEN LEFT UNTREATED, CAN LEAD TO DENTAL CAVITIES

44%

of the world's population suffer from tooth decay, making caries the most prevalent global condition



Tooth decay is a disease across the life course, with each age group and generation facing different experiences.



Over **600 million** children worldwide (**60-90%**) are affected by caries.



Globally, nearly **100%** of adults have tooth decay.



Globally, **30%** of adults aged 65-74 have no natural teeth.





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International Association
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2nd GLOBAL SUMMIT



Global Pathway to Evidence-Based Dental Caries Management in Children

6-8 November, 2020 | Taipei, Taiwan

● يمر تطور الآفة النخرية بثلاث مراحل مميزة :

- ١- المرحلة المبكرة وتسمى الآفة الأولية incipient lesion وهي مرحلة التبقع الطبشوري على سطح المينا.
- ٢- مرحلة تقدم الانحلال المعدني ضمن العاج.
- ٣- مرحلة الآفة الصريحة وظهور الحفرة النخرية الحقيقية.

Caries Development Stages : the development of caries occurs in three stages : مراحل تطور النخور : إن تطور النخر يحدث على ثلاثة مراحل

1

The earliest stage is the incipient lesion , Which Is share by Histologic changes of enamel.

المرحلة الأولى هي الآفة البدئية التي يحدث فيها تغييرات نسيجية في الميناء

Incipient lesion
الآفة البدئية

2

Progress the demineralization to DE junction, and or into dentin

تطور زوال التمعدن ليصل للملتقى المينائي العاجي وأو العاج

Second stage
المرحلة الثانية

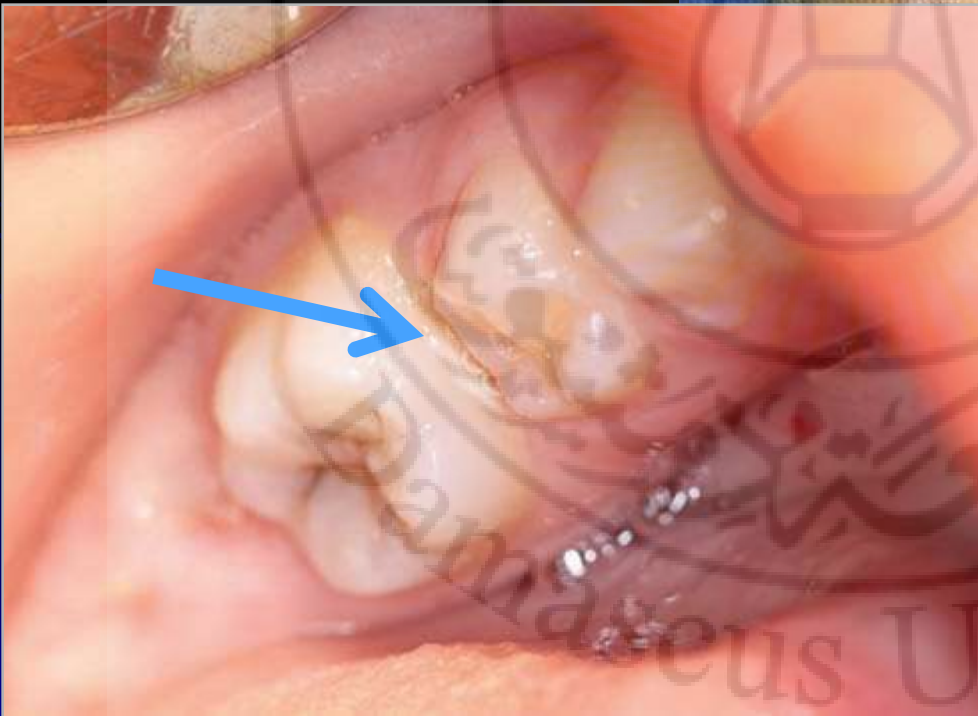
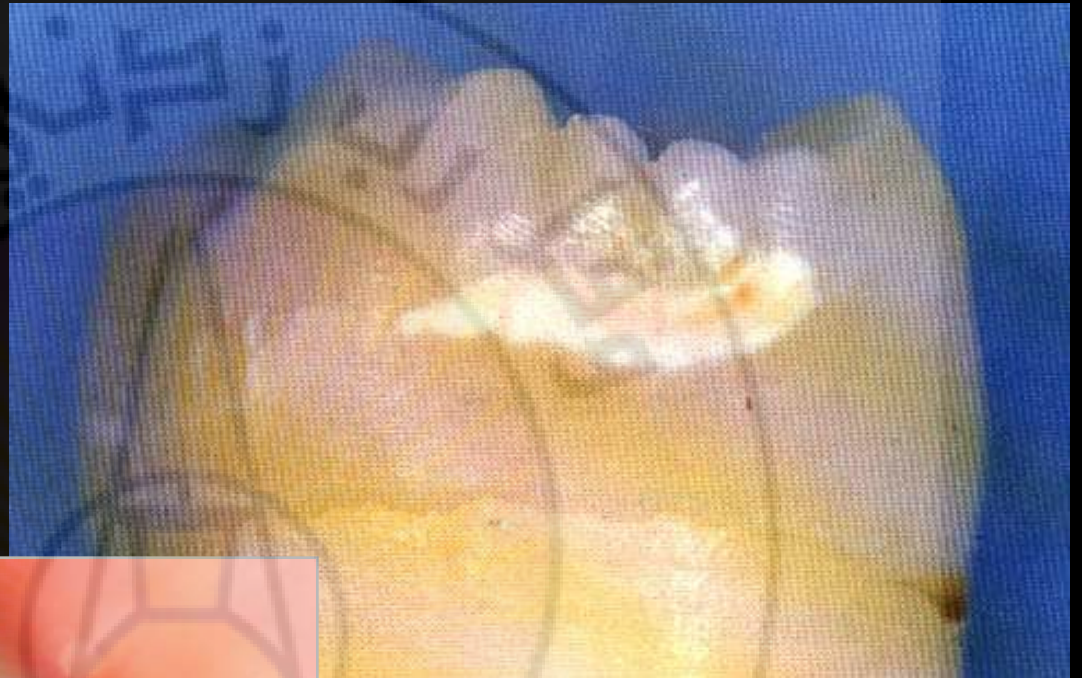
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Actual Cavitation

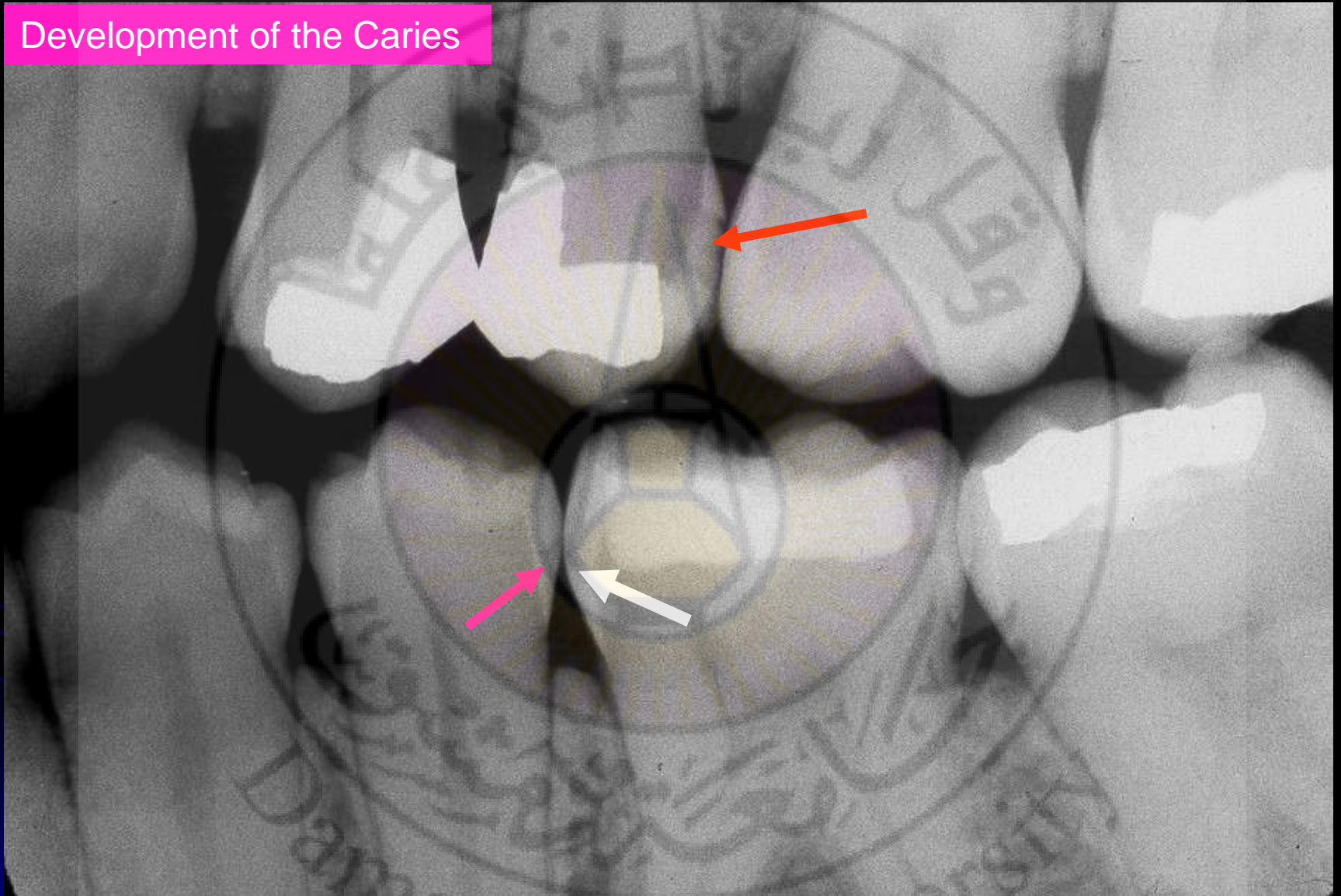
حصول النخر أو تشكل حفرة فعلية ضمن السن

Final phase
المرحلة الأخيرة

Incipient lesions



Development of the Caries



Incipient بدئي



Secondary stage مرحلة ثانوية



Final stage مرحلة نهائية

Etiology – Host Factors

العوامل الذاتية

- Tooth factors
 - quality of enamel
 - presence/depth of pits and fissures
 - hypoplasia
 - fluoride exposure
- Saliva
 - pH
 - flow rate
 - buffering capacity
 - antimicrobial components

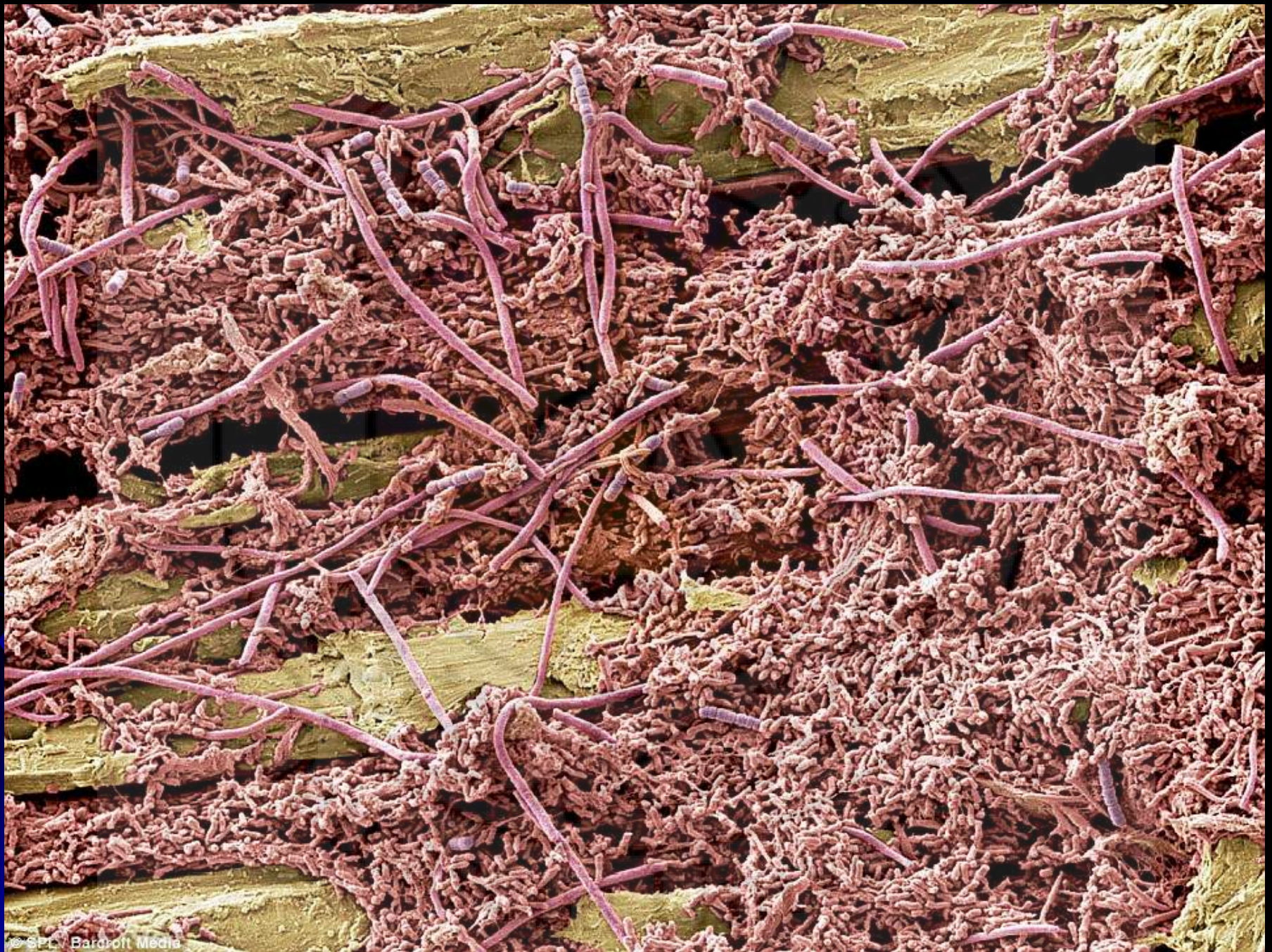


اللويحة الجرثومية

- تضم حوالي ٣٠٠ زمرة جرثومية ، الغالبية العظمى لا تؤثر في عملية النخر السني .
- تعد الـ *streptococci mutans & lactobacilli* الزمرتان الجرثوميتان المسؤولتان عن نخور الاسنان.
- وتتميز الـ *sm* بقدرتها على الالتصاق مع سطوح الأسنان وتحويل السكروز إلى **غلوكان** (مادة سكرية دبقة تساعد على التصاق الجراثيم بسطح السن) بكميات وافرة وسرعة استقلاب السكر وتحويله إلى حمض الـ *lactic* وأنواع أخرى من الحموض (البروبيونك والأستيت) التي تسبح ضمن اللويحة محدثةً الأذية السنية.

● تكون أعداد الـ **SM** في الآفات البدئية هي الأعلى بينما مع تطور الآفة وتقدمها (النخور العاجية) يرجح تراكم العصيات اللبنية **LB** .

● تحتاج الـ **SM** سطوح صلبة حتى تتراكم وتلتصق عليها لذلك تتواجد هذه الجراثيم بأعداد قليلة خلال السنة الأولى من حياة الطفل، وتبدأ بالازدياد مع بزوغ الأسنان.





الالتصاق Adherence

- العقديات الطافرة : قادرة على الارتباط مع بنية السن عبر إحدى آليتين :
- ١- الارتباط مع الغشاء المكتسب عبر البروتينات خارج الخلوية (اللصاقة) المتوضعة على أغشية هذه الجراثيم
 - ٢- الآليات المعتمدة على السكروز : والتي تتطلب وجود مصدر للسكروز لإنتاج عديدات سكار خارج خلوية لصاقة (غلوكانات) التي تسمح بارتباط وتجمع مستعمرات جرثومية إضافية

Transmission of MS

- ❑ Vertical transmission
- ❑ Source is usually mother
- ❑ Transmission may occur at birth, but MS reside in low numbers in reservoirs such as **tonsils** or **dorsum of tongue**



□ **Lactobacilli**

- found in large numbers in some children
- considered *opportunistic*, not initiators
- numbers in cavity increase after DEJ invaded
- lactobacilli are good indicators of total carbohydrate intake

النظام الغذائي ودور الكربوهيدرات

- ❑ There is no question that **carbohydrates** are the main etiological reason for the development of caries.
- ❑ One of the strategies in prevention of caries is to **limit** access to the more cariogenic sugars and substitute them with the **anti-cariogenic ones**.
- ❑ Not only does their conversion to acid result in enamel dissolution, but they also encourage the growth of more virulent cariogenic bacteria.

دور النظام الغذائي في النخور السنية

- النخر السني عملية ديناميكية تحدث بين السن المؤهل للإصابة وجراثيم اللويحة السنية والكربوهيدرات القابلة للتخمر.
- يعزز هذه العملية :- سوء العناية والصحة الفموية
 - نقص الإفراز اللعابي.
 - نقص الفلور.

- تعتبر السكاكر البسيطة عوامل مسببة للنخر السني.
- ويعد **تكرار** استهلاك السكاكر في النظام الغذائي العامل الأساسي في إحداث النخور بغض النظر عن الكميات المستهلكة.
- تستطيع جراثيم اللويحة السنية استقلاب الكربوهيدرات والسكاكر البسيطة خلال ٢٠-٣٠ دقيقة وتحويلها إلى حموض.
- عندما ينخفض PH اللويحة إلى ٥.٥ تبدأ عملية النخر وخسف الأملاح المعدنية.

The role of dietary sugars

Not all sugars are cariogenic.

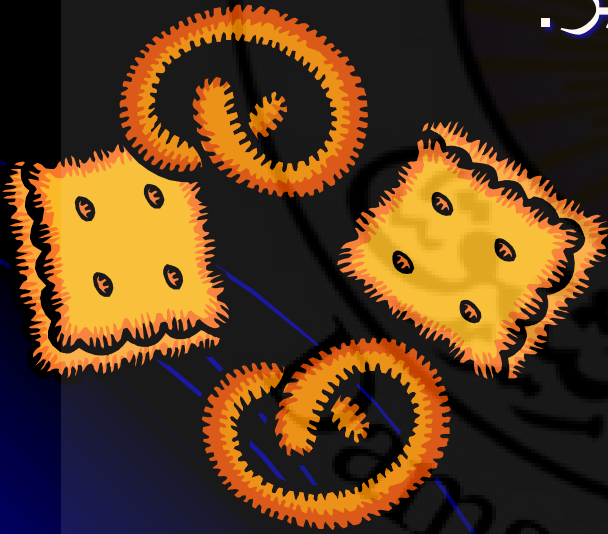
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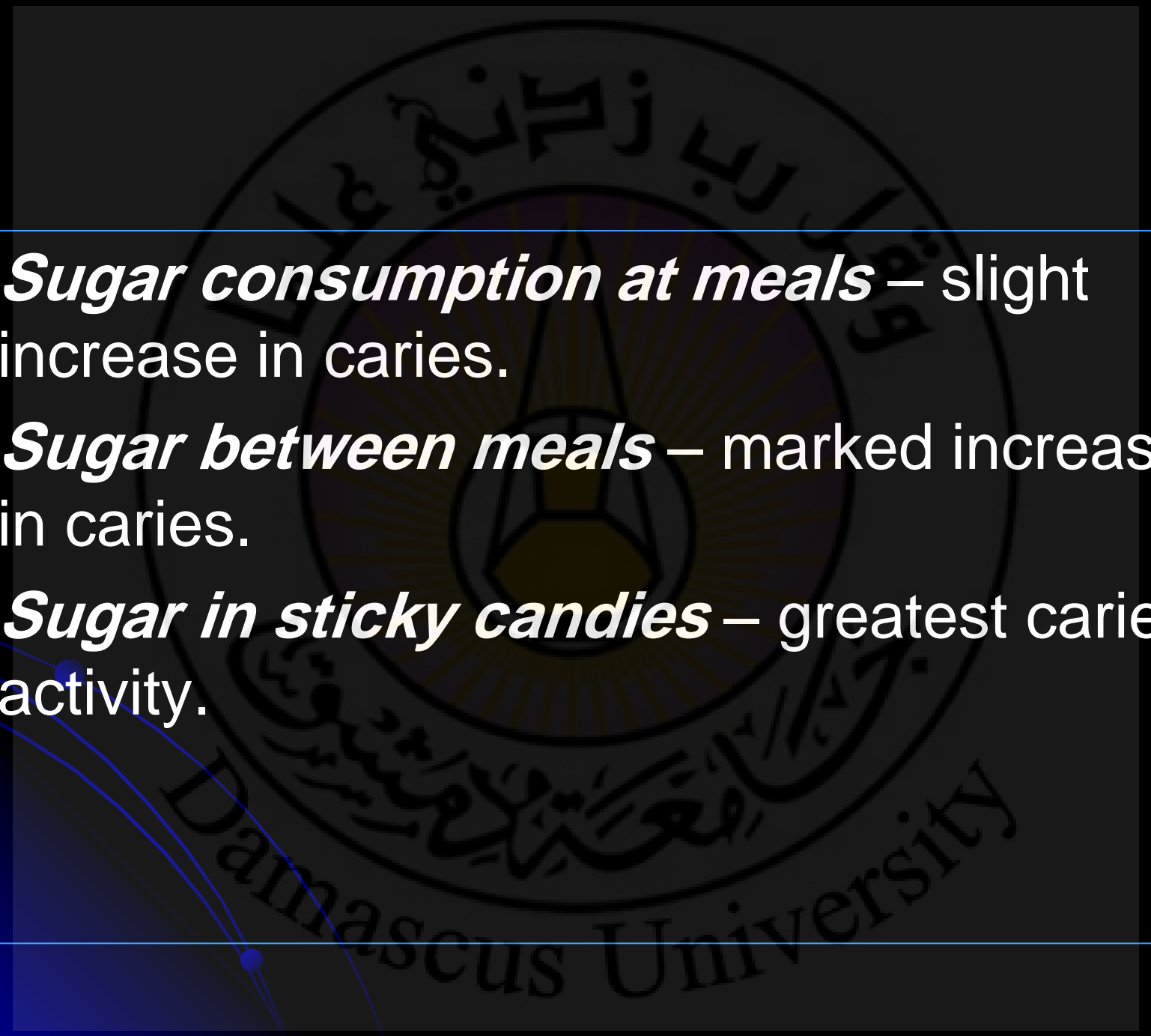
Damascus University

العوامل التي تجعل من السكاكر مسبب للنخر

- effects of **frequency** of sugar consumption
- effects of **consistency** (retentiveness) of sugar
- sugar at meals vs. in between meals

- يلعب شكل وتركيب الأطعمة السكرية دوراً هاماً في قدرتها النخرية حيث تستطيع الأطعمة الطرية اللصاقة أن تبقى في الحفرة الفموية لمدة أطول من المشروبات السكرية وبالتالي تكون تأثيراتها في العملية النخرية أكبر.



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- ***Sugar consumption at meals*** – slight increase in caries.
 - ***Sugar between meals*** – marked increase in caries.
 - ***Sugar in sticky candies*** – greatest caries activity.

Cariostatic Foods

الأطعمة المثبطة للنخر السني

- الأطعمة التي لا تسبب النخر السني لعدم قدرة جراثيم اللويحة السنية على استقلابها وعدم قابليتها للتفكك في اللعاب، وبالتالي لا تؤدي إلى تبدلات في PH اللعاب
- وتتضمن: الأطعمة البروتينية والدهون مثل البيض، السمك، اللحم، والدواجن بالإضافة لمعظم الخضروات والبقوليات والعلكة الخالية من السكر.



**The more common dietary sugars are presented.
The cariogenic potential of carbohydrates are presented too.**

	Decreasing Cariogenicity →		
Disaccharides	sucrose	maltose	lactose
Monosaccharides	glucose	fructose	galactose
Polysaccharides	starch	converts to maltose by salivary amylase	
Sugar alcohols	sorbitol	mannitol	xylitol
			Protective

The sugars with the most cariogenicity **are sucrose and glucose (red)**.

Other carbohydrates (**maltose, lactose, fructose, and starch**) are less cariogenic.

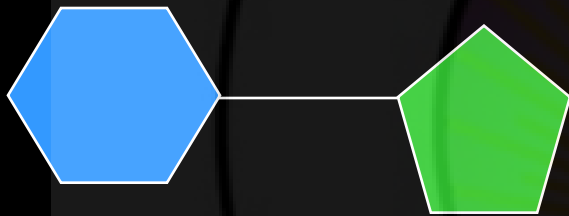
The **sugar alcohols**, such as **sorbitol and mannitol**, are the least cariogenic (yellow)

Xylitol has even been shown to be anticariogenic (**green**).

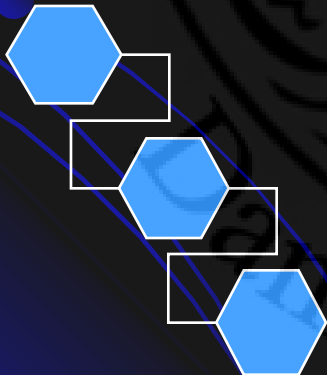
Sucrose

□ Glucose + fructose

extracellular polyglucose,
glucan, (from sucrose metabolism only)
creates irreversible attachment

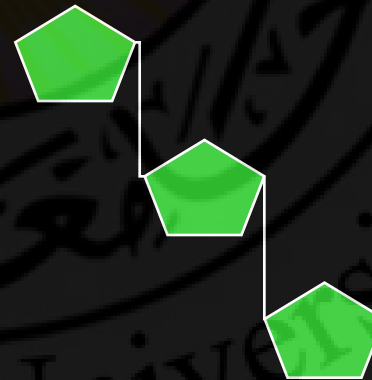


metabolized by plaque bacteria



glucan

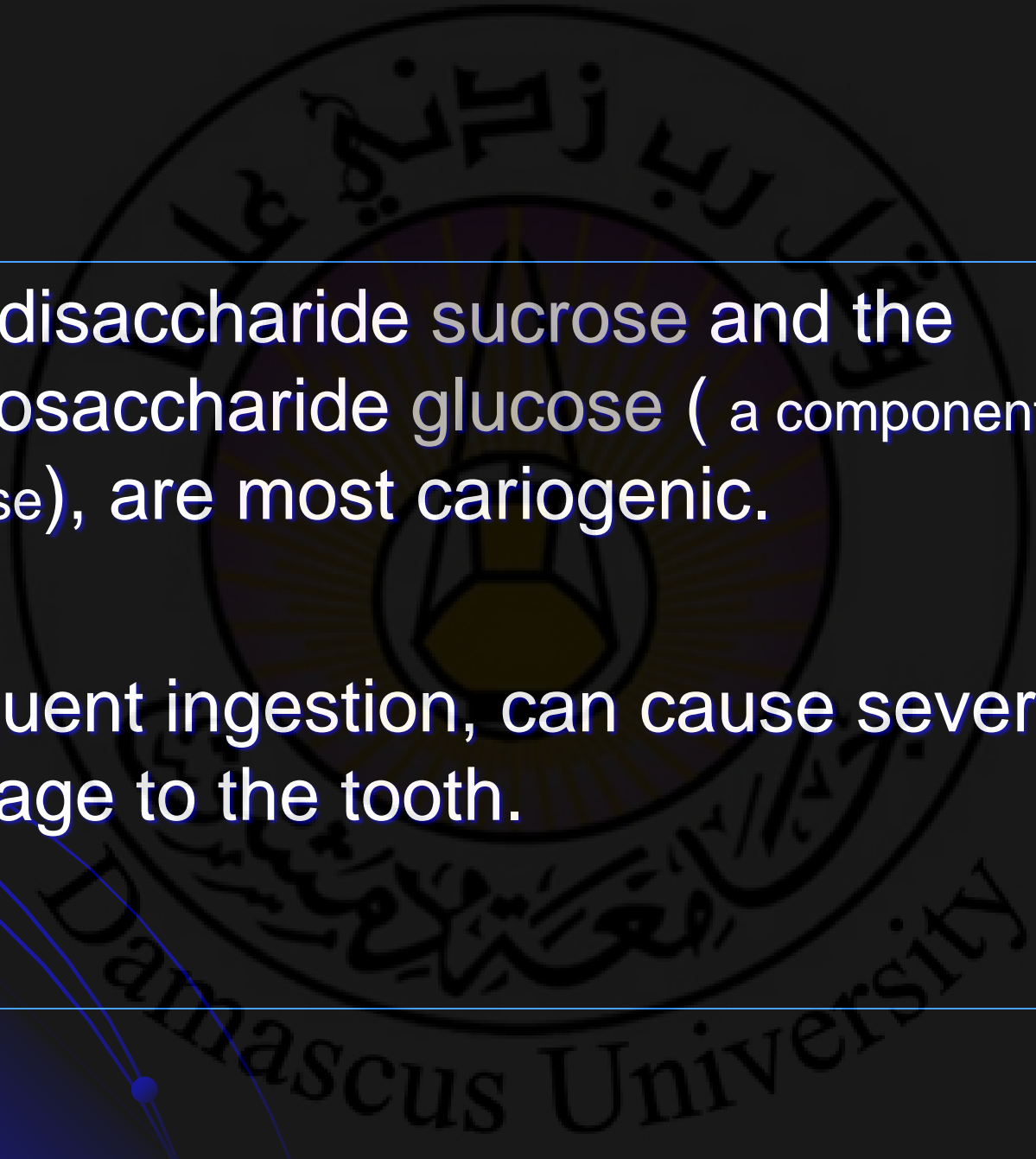
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fructan

Glucan

- ❑ Water soluble
- ❑ Extracellular “glue”
- ❑ Enables adhesion to tooth
 - reduced susceptibility to mechanical disruption
- ❑ Inhibits diffusion properties of plaque
 - reduces buffering capacity of saliva
 - inhibits transport of acid away from tooth

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- ❑ The disaccharide sucrose and the monosaccharide glucose (a component of sucrose), are most cariogenic.
 - ❑ Frequent ingestion, can cause severe damage to the tooth.

Role of Other Sugars

- ❑ Fructose and glucose are as effective as sucrose in their ability to cause a pH drop;
- ❑ Fructose is nearly equal to sucrose in cariogenicity;
- ❑ Raw starch causes only a small drop in plaque pH

Role of Refined Starch

- Soluble starch and refined starch can be broken down by salivary amylase into sugars(maltose)
- These *refined carbohydrates* cause a variable pH drop that may be as large as that caused by sucrose

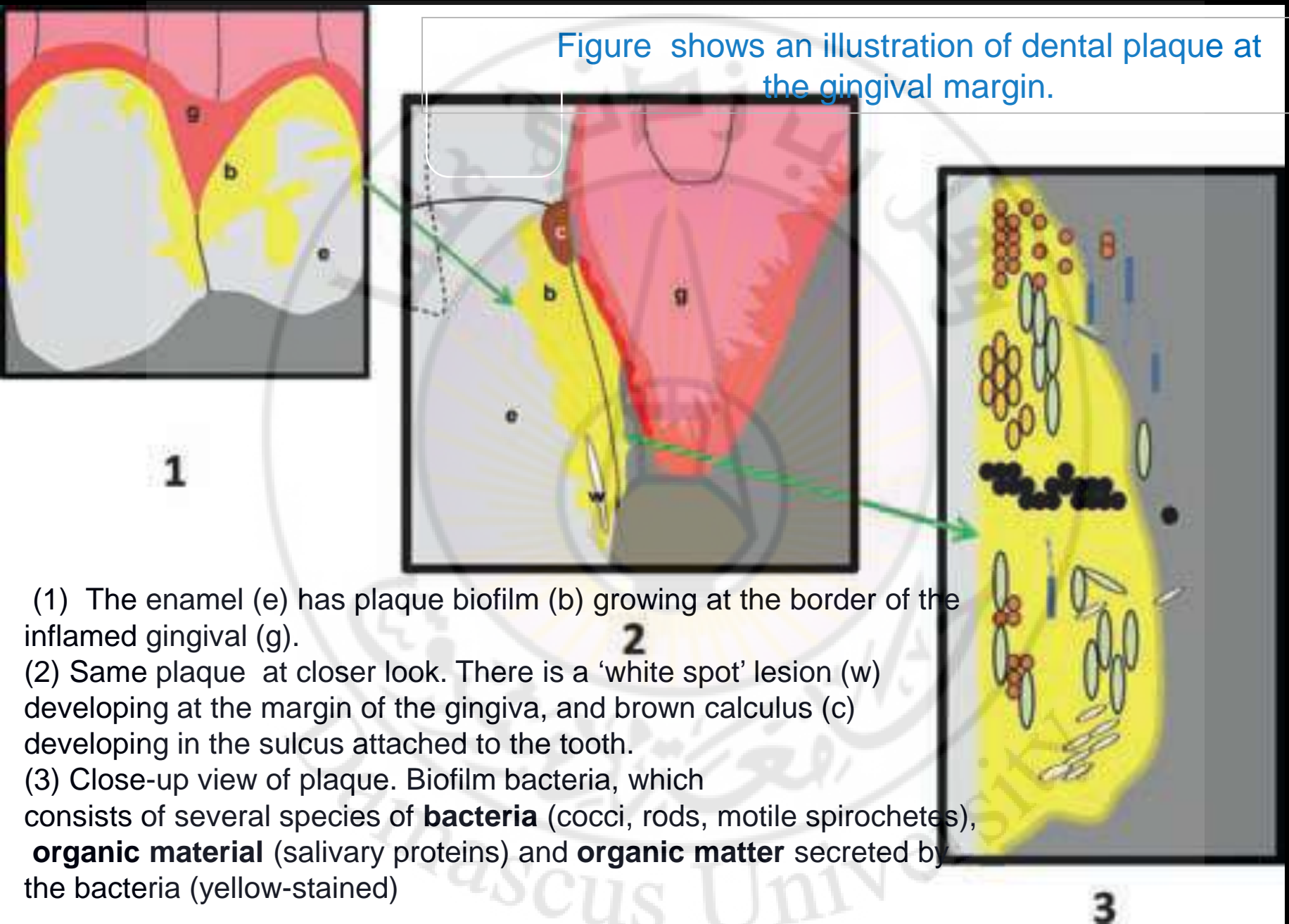


- The supragingival bacteria are dominated with streptococci and lactobacilli that can lower the plaque pH and induce decalcifications

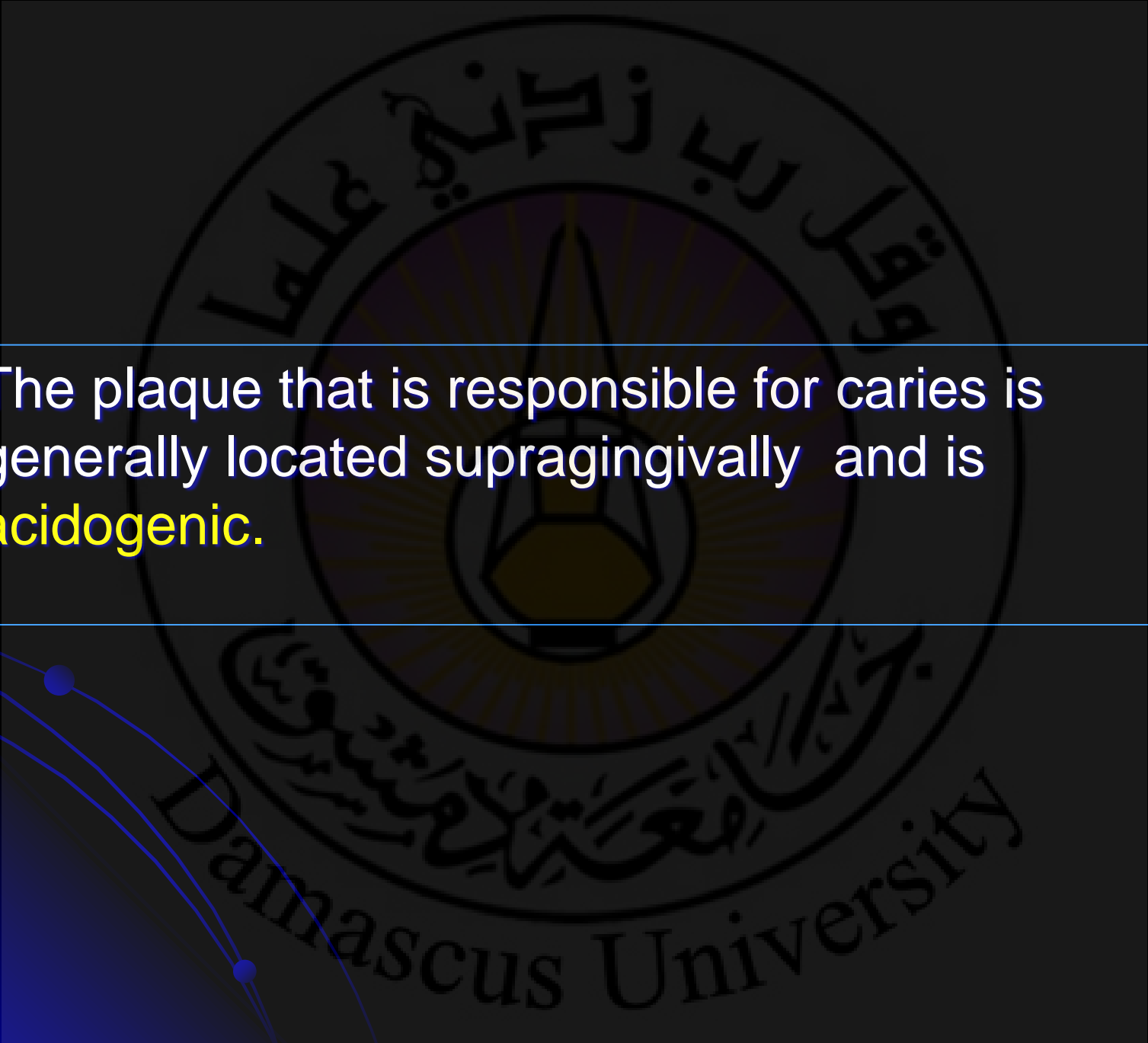


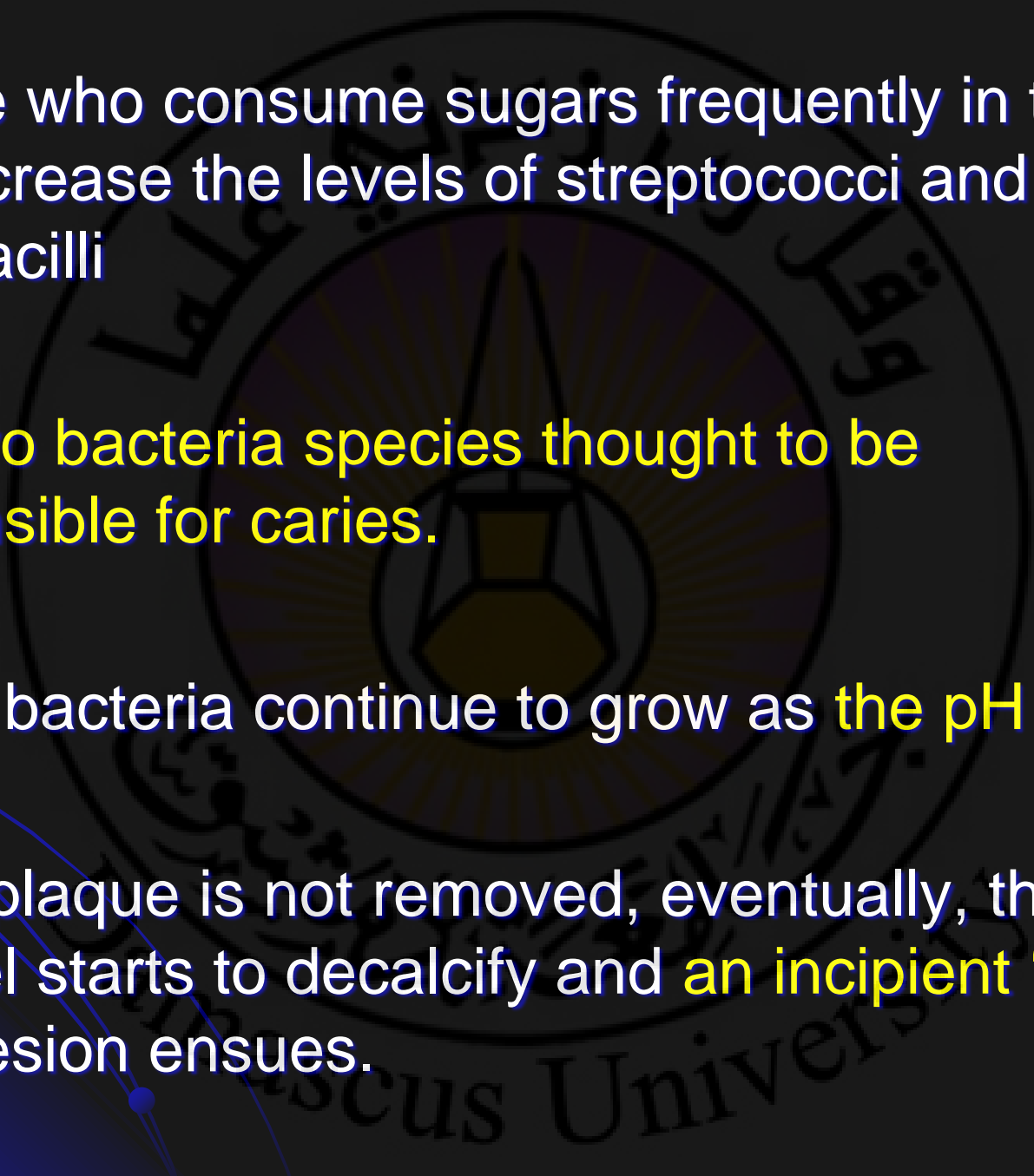
white spot lesions.

Figure shows an illustration of dental plaque at the gingival margin.





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- ❑ The plaque that is responsible for caries is generally located supragingivally and is **acidogenic**.

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- People who consume sugars frequently in their diet increase the levels of streptococci and lactobacilli
 - The two bacteria species thought to be responsible for caries.
 - These bacteria continue to grow as the pH drops.
 - If the plaque is not removed, eventually, the enamel starts to decalcify and an incipient 'white spot' lesion ensues.

- Marsh (1994) was able to show, that feeding of bacteria a meal of glucose can encourage the growth of cariogenic bacteria when the pH is allowed to drop .

Repeated glucose rinses encourages SM and LB growth when plaque acid is not controlled

Fluoride at high concentrations inhibits SM , but not LB !!!

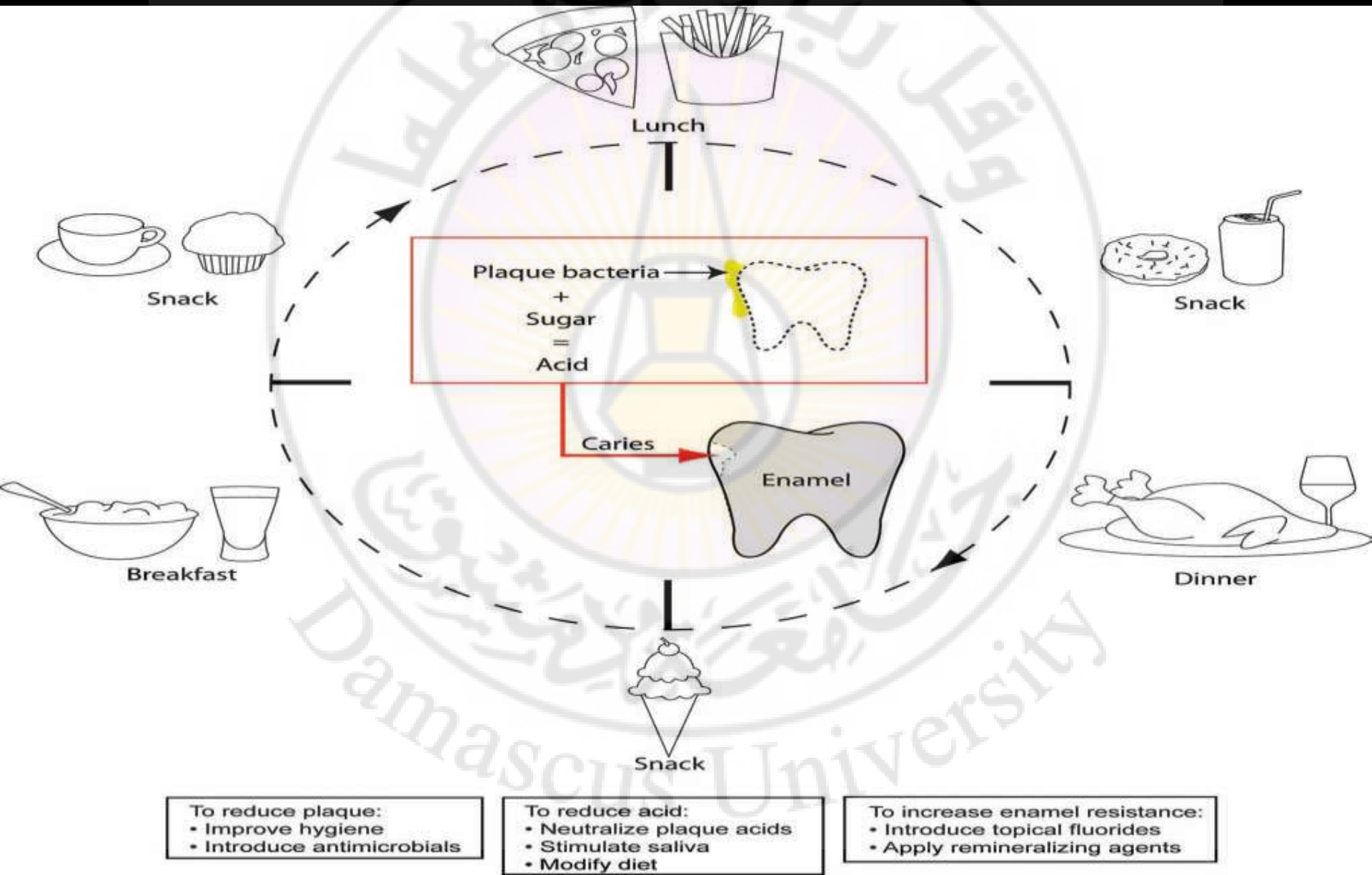
- Xylitol had inhibitory properties for both cariogenic and periodontal bacteria.

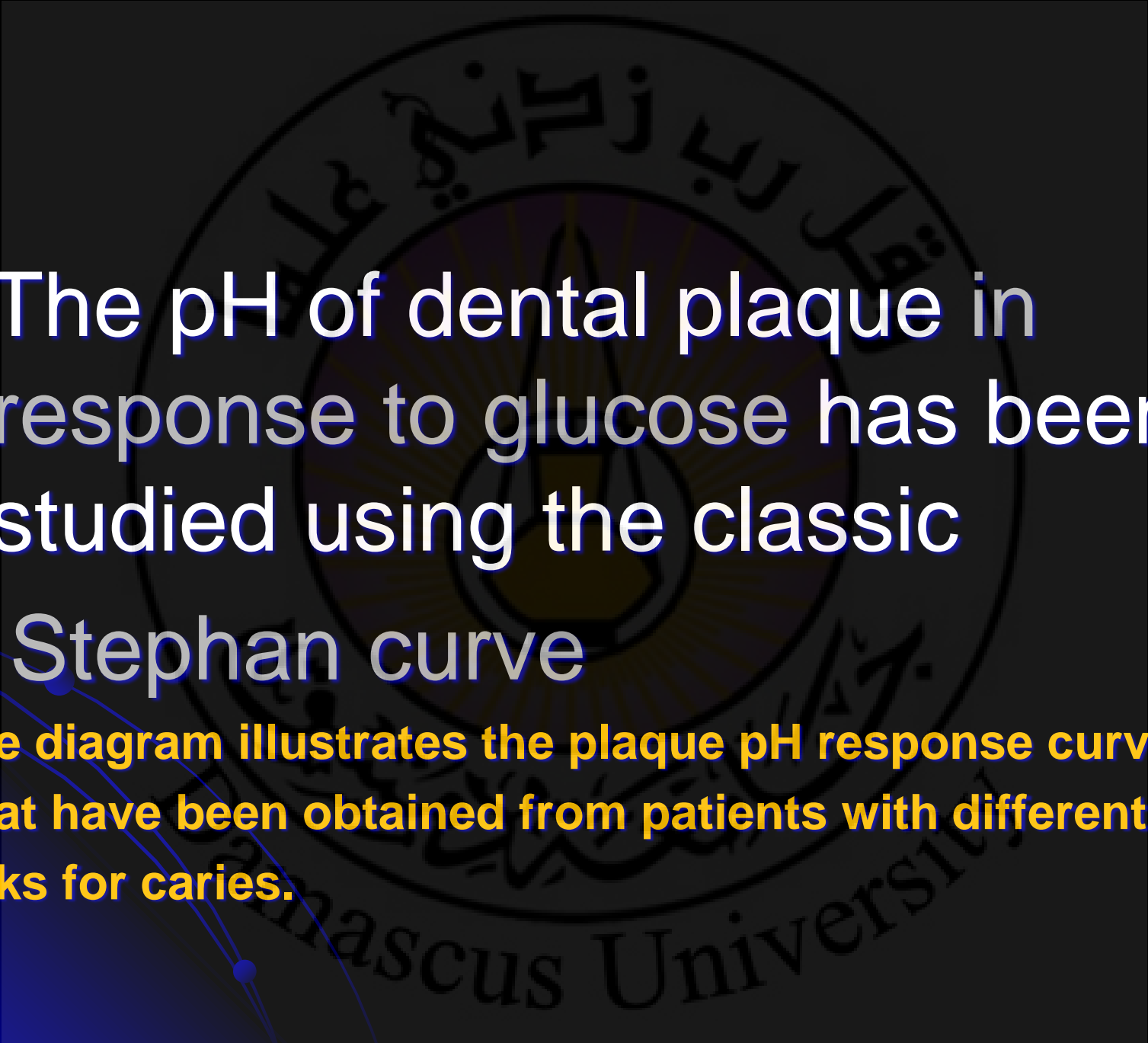
The demineralization–remineralization balance in caries

- The plaque thickness dominated by cariogenic bacteria, can effectively keep the saliva from reaching the enamel surface.
- In addition, the more plaque there is, the more acid is produced.
- These acids have a longer time to penetrate into the enamel under thick biofilm - This allows the tooth to demineralize!!!!
- If the saliva reaches the acids they are washed away and neutralized by the salivary buffers - This allows the tooth to remineralize.

- The cycle repeats itself over and over with every sweet snack and meal containing sugars.
- Caries occurs when the frequency of sugar exposure during the day is high.

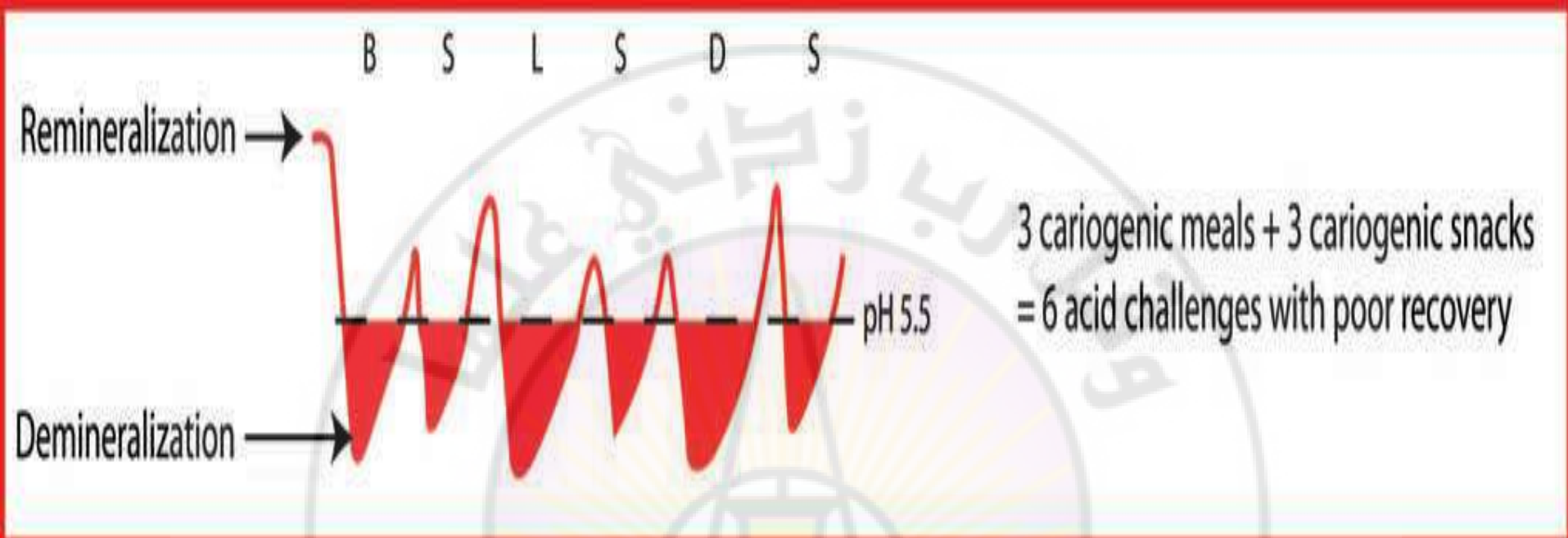
The repeated cycle of 'sugar attacks.'



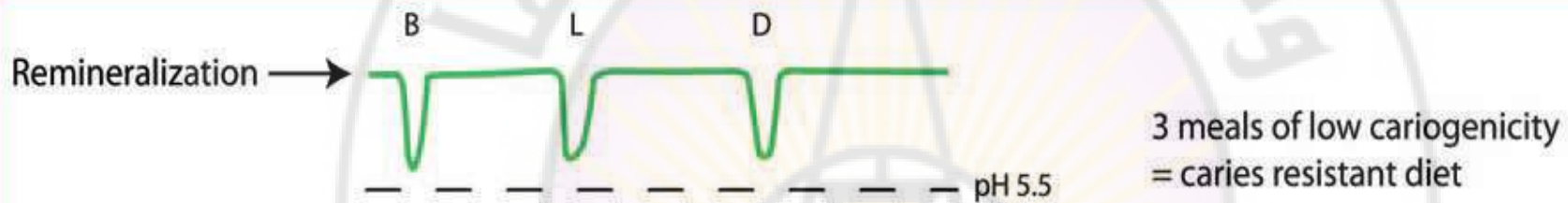
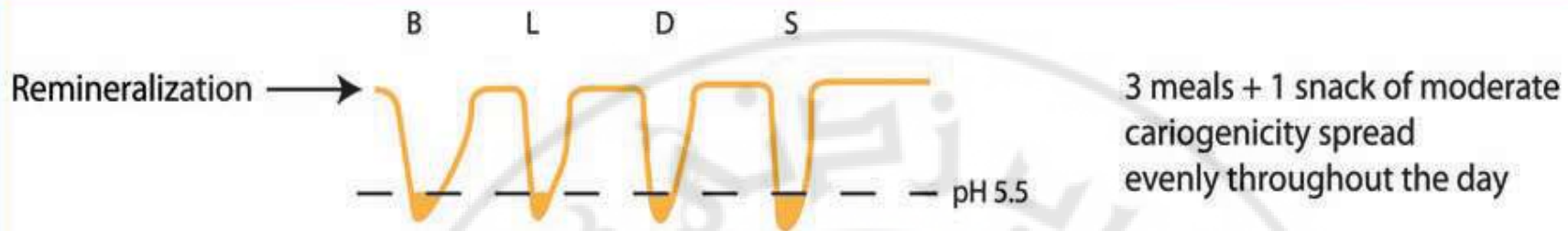
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The pH of dental plaque in response to glucose has been studied using the classic Stephan curve

The diagram illustrates the plaque pH response curves that have been obtained from patients with different risks for caries.



- A high-risk individual, when given a glucose rinse , will experience a dramatic drop in the plaque pH well below the critical pH of 5.5.
- The recovery to neutral pH in the high risk individual will be slow.



□ For a moderate risk individual (yellow), the initial pH drop may only be a little lower than the critical pH.

□ For a caries-resistant person (green), the initial pH drop of that person's plaque may not even reach the critical pH, and the recovery will be very quick.

اللعاب Saliva

❑ Composition

- supersaturated with Ca, P
- bicarbonate – principal buffer
- proteins, immunologic/antibacterial components
- fluoride
- viscosity depends on gland, nervous control of secretion
- pH normally around 7.0; varies from ~5.5-8.0

The main components of saliva and their function

Classification of component	Ingredient	Function
Inorganic	Water (99%)	
Inorganic, organic	Carbonate, phosphate, protein	Buffers acid
Organic	Amylase, lipase, protease, pyrophosphatase, lysozyme	Antibacterial
Organic	Mucins	Lubricant, calcium binding
Organic	IgA	Antibacterial

دور اللعاب

□ Because of its **buffering capacity** and ability to neutralize acids, a simple intervention such as stimulating the saliva with chewing gum can arrest white spot lesions and prevent cavities from forming (Stookey 2008).

● ينقص التدفق اللعابي في الحالات التالية:

- medications (antihistamines, antiasthmatics)
- disease (degenerative, metaplastic in salivary glands)
- Anemia
- dehydration
- radiation
- age

TYPES OF DENTAL CARIES ?

أنماط النخور السنية ؟

Occlusal Caries, pit and fissures (إطباقية (وهاد وميازيب)

Proximal Caries ملاصقة

Facial and Lingual Caries شفوية ولسانية

Root Caries (cemental caries) جذرية (ملاطية)

Cervical Caries عنقية

Recurrent Caries (secondary) ناكسة (ثانوية)

Nursing bottle caries نخور الرضاعة

Arrested Caries متوقفة

Rampant Caries منتشرة جائحة

Occlusal Caries , pit and fissures

نخور أطباقية (وهاد وميازيب)



تنتشر عند الملتقى المينائي العاجي
وممكن أن تقوض وتكسر الميناء
في الميناء تتطور النخور باتجاه
المواشير المينائية وبالعاج تتجه نحو
الأقنية العاجية

The shape of the pits and fissures contribute to their high susceptibility to caries.
إن شكل الوهاد والميازيب يساهم في قابليتها العالية للإصابة بالنخر السني.

Proximal Caries

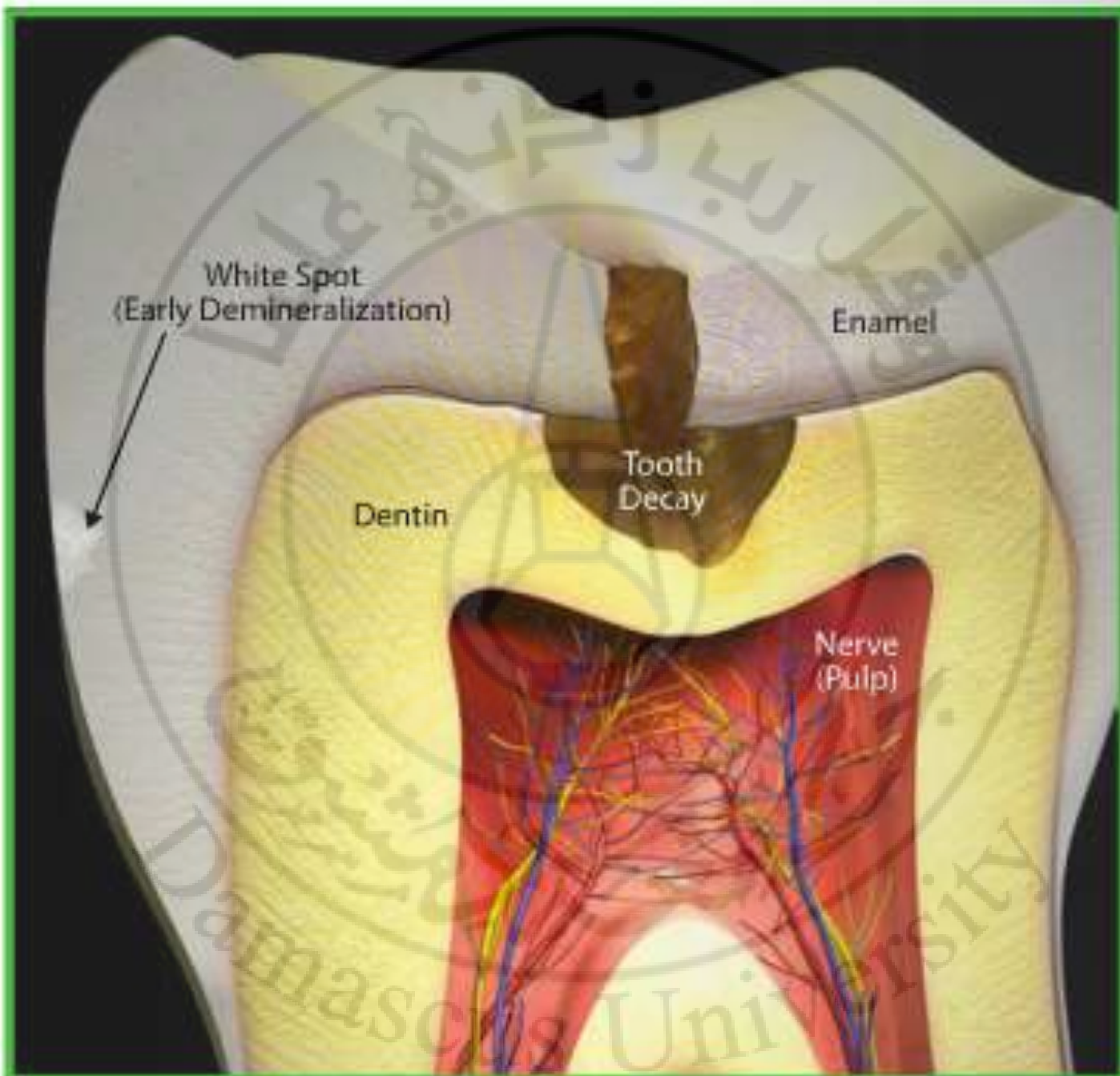
نخور ملاصقة



Proximal caries on the distal surface of the second premolar. Notice the Triangular appearance of caries. In the enamel, caries progresses along the path of the enamel rods; in the dentin, caries progresses roughly along the path of the dentinal tubules.

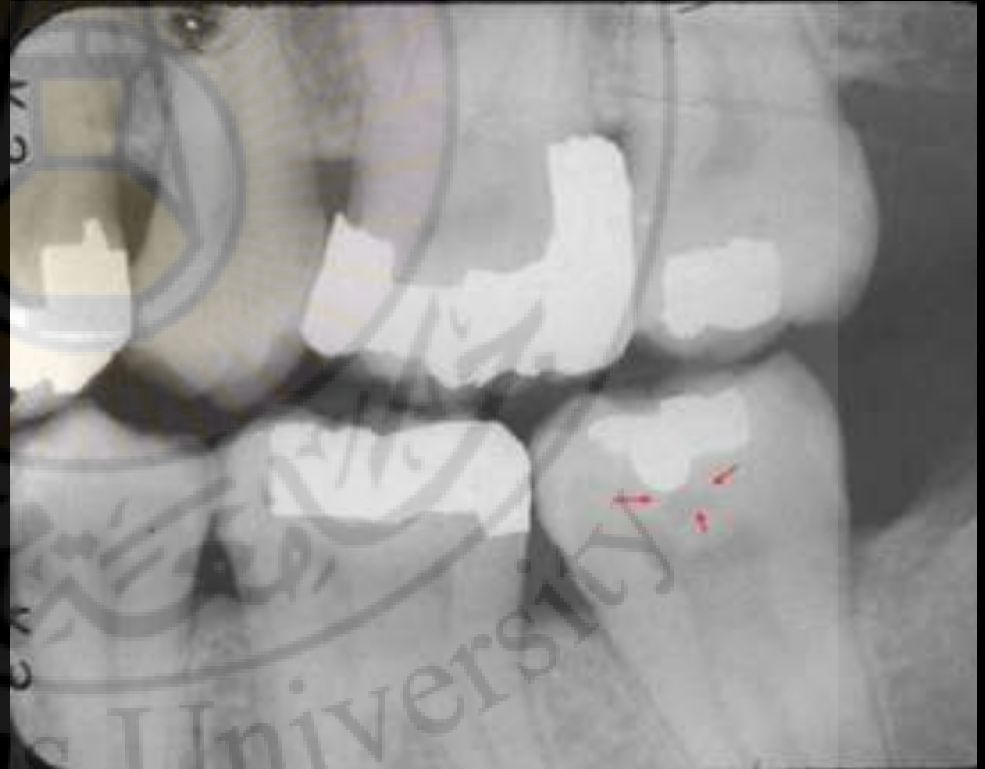
نخر ملاصق على السطح الوحشي للضاحك الثاني
لاحظ المظهر المثلثي للنخر
في الميناء تتجه النخور باتجاه المواشير المينائية
بالعاج تكون على طول الأقنية العاجية





Facial and Lingual Caries

نخور السطوح الشفوية واللسانية



Root Caries (cemental caries)

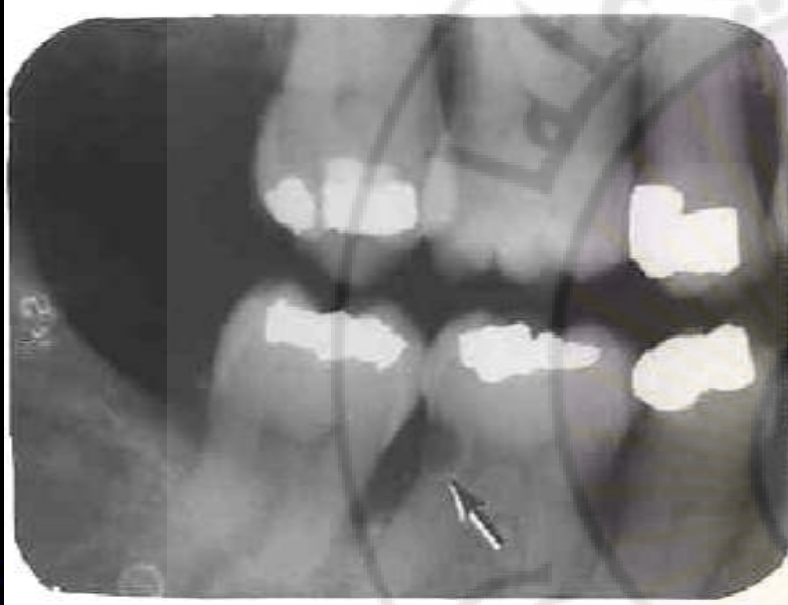
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- ١- الضبط أو السيطرة اليومية على اللويحة بالطرق الميكانيكية والكيميائية.
 - ٢- تخفيض المدخول من الكربوهيدرات
 - ٣- زيارة منتظمة للطبيب المختص.
 - ٤- برنامج للفلور



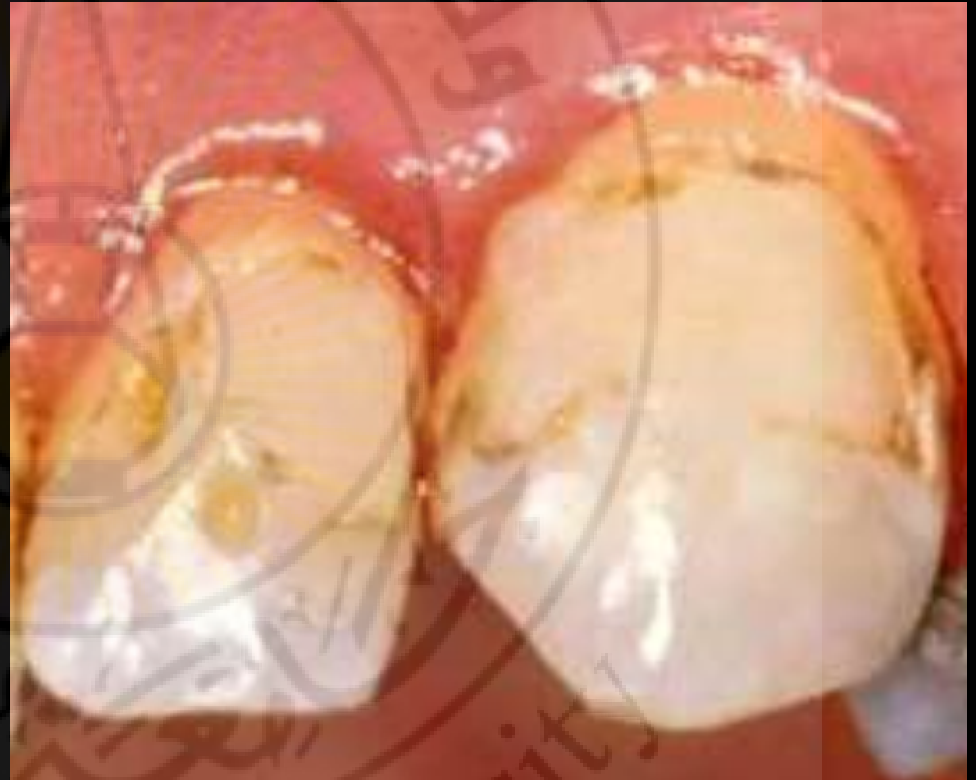
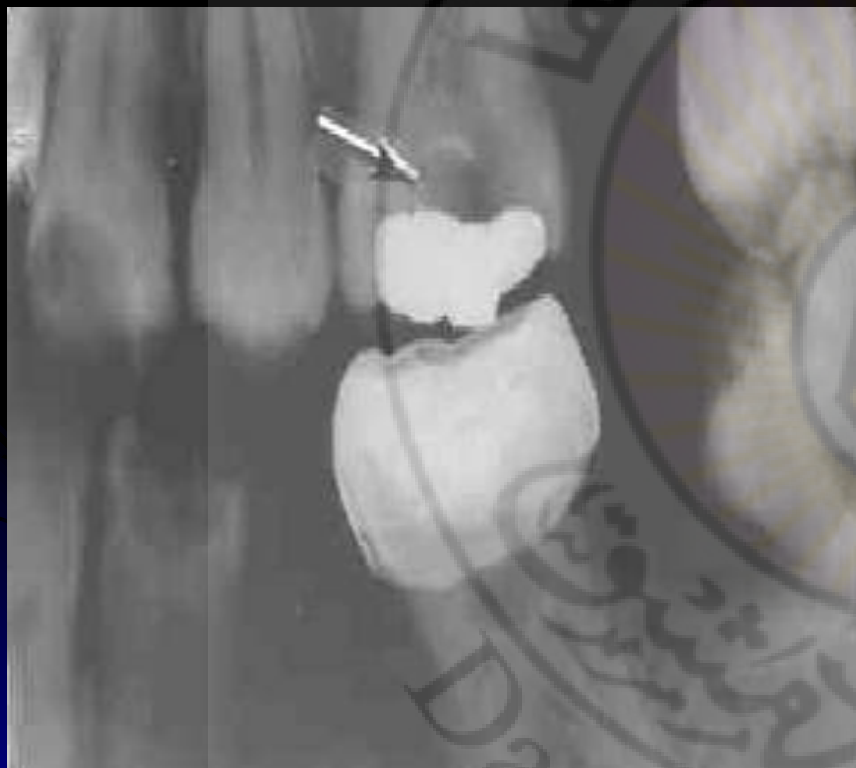
Cervical Caries

النخور العنقية



Recurrent Caries

النخور الناكسة



Nursing bottle caries

نخور الرضاعة



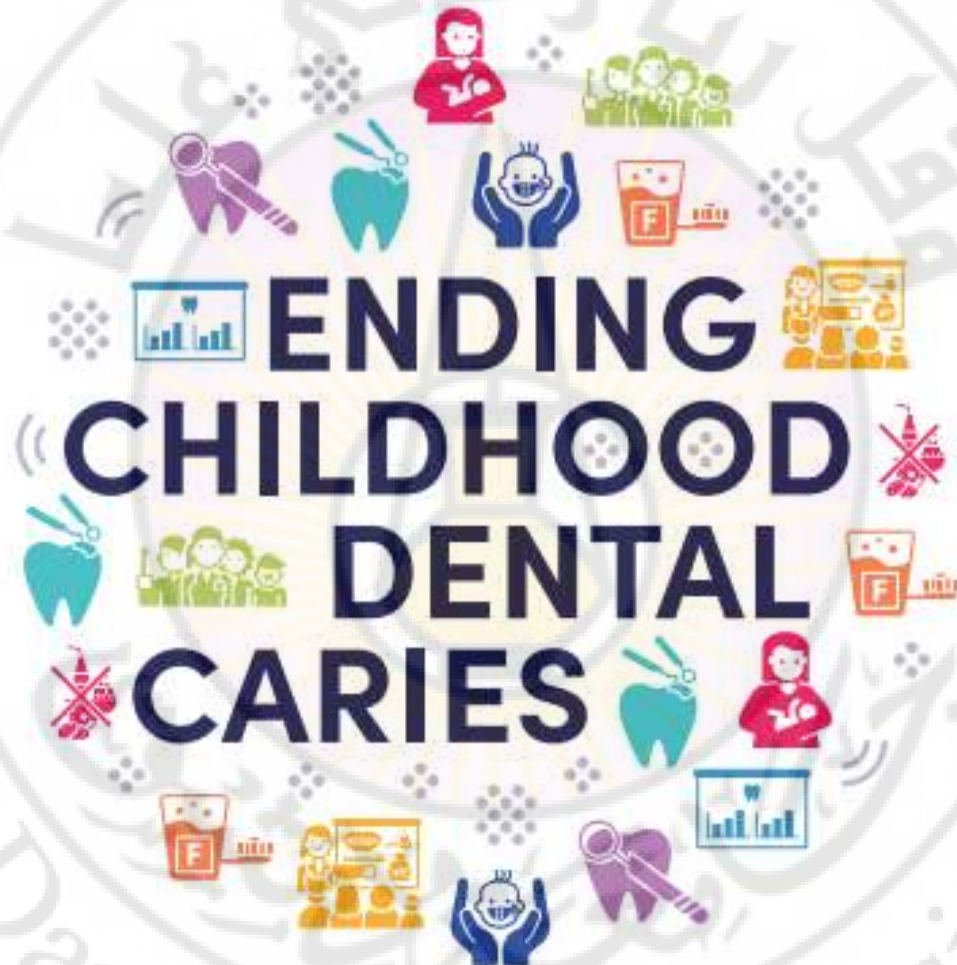
Children should not fall asleep with a bottle. This traps sugar from the drink in the child's mouth, causing tooth decay.

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WHO Implementation manual

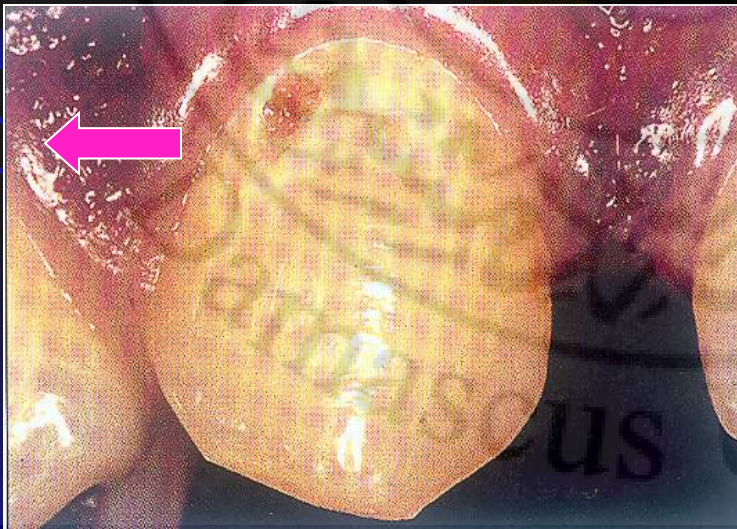
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Arrested Caries

النخور المتوقفة

The caries process can be halted here

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Rampant Caries

النخور الجائحة



Rapidly progressing caries usually found in children and teens with poor diet and inadequate oral hygiene

نخور تتطور بشدة توجد عادة عند الأطفال والمراهقين الذين تكون حميتهم الغذائية غير جيدة مع عناية فموية غير كافية.

Caries measurement methods

طرق تشخيص النخور

- Visual بصريا
- Visual +Tactile inspection (السرير) بصري ولمسي
- Radiography شعاعي
- Fiber optic transillumination
- Electrical conductance الناقلية الكهربائية
- Laser fluorescence التآلق الليزري

Caries measurement methods

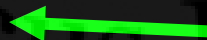
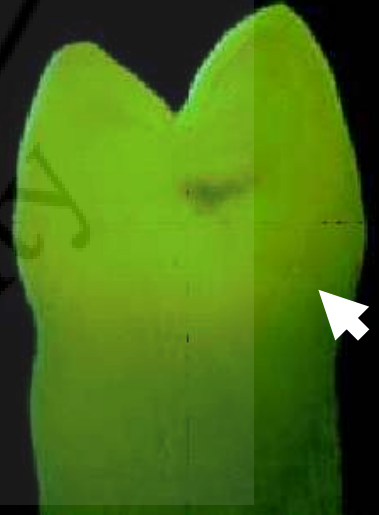
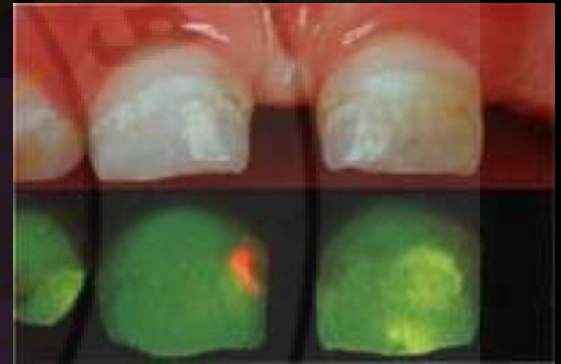
طرق تشخيص النخور

Uses a high intensity white light
يستخدم ضوء أبيض ذو شدة عالية



Fiberoptic transillumination (FOTI)

ألياف التآلق الضوئي البصرية



Electrical conductance (EC)

الناقلية الكهربائية

Electrical Conductance measurement (ECM):

- In case of caries lesion- increase porosity of the dental tissue- higher fluid content than the sound tissue decrease electrical resistance.

في حال وجود آفة نخرية تزيد مسامية النسيج العاجي وبالتالي يكون هناك سوائل أكثر من الحالة الطبيعية وبالتالي تخف المقاومة الكهربائية



كنظام يستخدم تيارات خفيفة جدا لتحري النخر

التألق الليزري Laser Fluorescence (LF)

إن تقنية التألق الليزري تقيس تألق السن المستحث بعد تسليط حزمة ليزرية للتمييز بين الميناء السليم والمنخور.

Diagnodent Laser



This device can give a numerical reading of early decay in pits.

يستطيع هذا الجهاز إعطاء قراءة رقمية عن النخور المبكرة في الوهاد

التألق الليزري Laser Fluorescence (LF)

- القراءات تحت ١٠ تعني عدم وجود نخر
- القراءات من ١٠-٢٠ عادة هي تصبغات أو نخور مينائية
- القراءات فوق ٣٥ هي عبارة عن نخور بالعاج
- القراءات التي تصل لـ ٩٩ هي نخور متقدمة بالعاج بشكل كبير

هذا الجهاز قادر أن يعطي قراءات
رقمية للنخور المبكرة في الوهاد



Remove one protective factor



Sound Tooth

Caries

A

B

C

D

E

F

- A:** Protective saliva (flow, buffering, pH, anti-bacterial proteins)
- B:** Adequate remineralization capacity (salivary Ca^{2+} , PO_4^{3-} , F^- , alkali)
- C:** Good oral hygiene (bacterial flora—low *S. mutans*, *Lactobacillus*)
- D:** Ideal diet (calcium, protein, less frequent refined carbohydrates)
- E:** Good tooth resistance (morphology, no crowding or enamel defects, fluorapatite)
- F:** Ideal dentistry (alternative orthodontic therapy, gold restorations)

Prevention



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1. Neutralize the plaque acids:

- This can be done by adding base or adding buffers such as sodium bicarbonate (baking soda) to the saliva to boost its ability to neutralize acids.

2. Improve hygiene:

- With bacterial levels low, less acid is produced.
- Plaque layers don't have a chance to grow thick;
- Saliva can penetrate better to the enamel surface through thin layers of plaque.

3. Introduce antimicrobials:

- **Since caries is a disease** caused by bacteria, simply eliminating the bacteria or controlling their growth will reduce the caries incidence.
- Chlorhexidine, xylitol, ozone, even experimental antibodies, have been used to control bacterial growth.

4. Stimulate saliva:

- Saliva contains numerous components - that fight tooth decay
- buffers, remineralizing minerals, antimicrobial enzymes, antibodies.

5. Topical fluorides:

Fluoride added to the remineralizing incipient lesion increases the enamel crystals' resistance to dissolution by plaque acids.

Damascus University



The background image shows the application of a dental sealant. A dental professional is using a brush to apply a blue and red liquid sealant onto a tooth. The sealant is being applied to a prepared cavity. The background is a light blue wall with a large, faint watermark of the Damascus University logo, which features a central emblem with a lamp and the university's name in Arabic and English.

Fluoride & Sealants

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الميزان التآري



THE CARIES BALANCE

Disease Causing Factors

BAD disease-causing factors include the following:

Bad Bacteria – Acid-producing Bad bacteria

Absence of Saliva – The Absence of healthy salivary function (for example, dry mouth)

Dietary Habits (Poor) – Frequent sugars and acids lead to de-mineralization and a low pH allowing bad bacteria to thrive starting the decay process

Protective Factors

SAFE protective factors include the following:

Saliva and Sealants – Saliva neutralizes acid encouraging good bacteria to thrive and aids re-mineralization. Sealants seal the chewing surfaces of the teeth most likely to decay

Antimicrobials – Helping rid the bad bacteria and establish health-promoting bacteria

Fluoride – Strengthening the tooth surfaces against demineralization promoting re-mineralization

Effective Diet – Consuming a healthy diet



Introduction

- يتواجد الفلور (fluoride) بشكل رئيسي في جسم الإنسان في العظام والأسنان
- تكون الجزيئات المعدنية المكونة للأسنان وخاصة الميناء والحاوية على الفلور (fluorapatite) أكثر مقاومة للانحلال الحمضي من تلك غير الحاوية عليه (hydroxyapatite).

Introduction

- Fluoride plays an important role in the prevention of dental caries.

The primary mechanism of action of fluoride in preventing dental caries is topical. Fluoride acts in the following ways to prevent dental caries:

1. It enhances remineralization of the tooth enamel. This is the most important effect of fluoride in caries prevention.
- 2. It inhibits demineralization of the tooth enamel.
- 3. It makes cariogenic bacteria less able to produce acid from carbohydrates.

- يلعب الفلور **fluoride** دوراً هاماً في الوقاية من النخر السني، ويكون التأثير الأساسي في هذه العملية تأثيراً موضعياً.
- يعمل الفلور على الوقاية من النخر بالآليات التالية:

١- يعزز عملية إعادة التمعدن **remineralization** في الميناء (وهي الآلية الأهم) .

٢- يثبط عملية خسف الأملاح المعدنية **demineralization** في سطح الميناء السني.

٣- يؤثر على جراثيم اللويحة السنية المحدثّة للنخر (**cariogenic bacteria**) ويثبط إنتاجها للحموض الحالة للميناء.

المصادر الجهازية للفلور

● يتم امتصاص الفلور جهازياً من خلال :

- ١- مياه الشرب (الحاوية طبيعياً على الفلور أو المياه المفلورة).
- ٢- بعض الأطعمة والمشروبات (كالأطعمة البحرية والشاي).
- ٣- معاجين الأسنان.
- ٤- المكملات الغذائية الفلورية.

Infant Nutrition



- Human breast milk contains almost no fluoride, even when the nursing mother drinks fluoridated water.

Powdered infant formula contains little or no fluoride, unless mixed with fluoridated water. The amount of fluoride ingested will depend on the volume of fluoridated water mixed with the formula.

المصادر الموضوعية للفلور

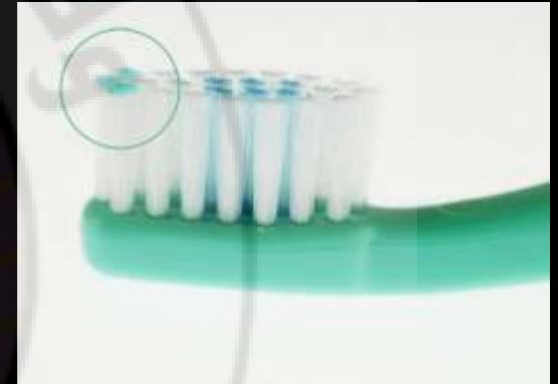
- ١- معاجين الأسنان: Toothpaste
- ٢- المضامض الفلورية: Fluoride mouthrinses
- ٣- الهلام الفلوري: Fluoride gels
- ٤- الفرنيش الفلوري: Fluoride varnish

Toothpaste

- Toothpaste is the most recognizable source of
- topical fluoride.

The addition of fluoride to toothpaste began

- in the 1950s.



Brushing with fluoridated toothpaste is associated

- with a 24% reduction in decayed, missing, and filled tooth surfaces.

The CDC concluded that the quality of evidence for fluoridated

- toothpaste in reduction of caries is grade 1. Strength of
- recommendation is A for use in all persons.

Toothpaste Guidelines

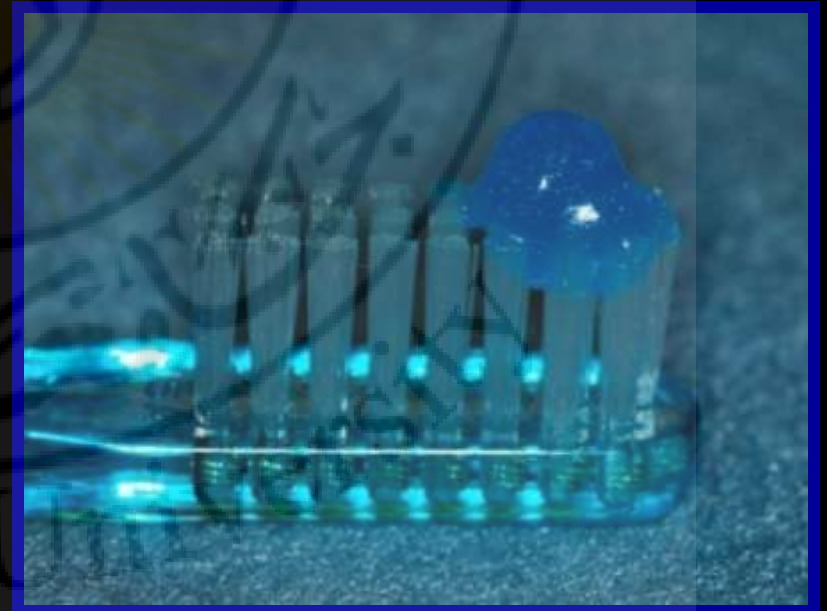
- The American Dental Association (ADA), American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD), and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) have all published the following recommendations:
 - Suggest a “smear” or “grain of rice” amount of toothpaste starting at tooth emergence for all children.
 - For children ages 3 to 6, recommend a “pea-sized” amount of fluoridated toothpaste.
- Toothpaste recommendations are no longer “risk-based”.

Toothpaste Amounts

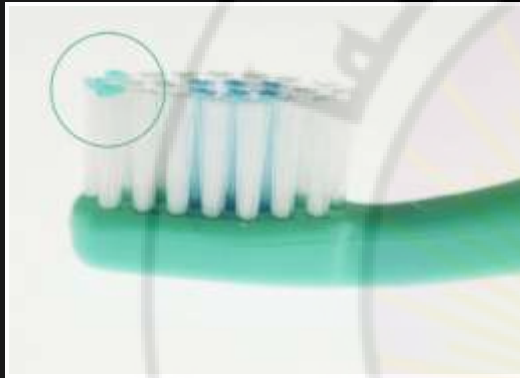
“Smear”



“Pea-sized”



Fluorosis and Toothpaste



Ingestion of toothpaste increases the risk of enamel fluorosis.



If fluoridated toothpaste is used, strategies to limit the amount swallowed include limiting the amount placed on the brush and observing the child as they brush.

Fluoride Mouthrinses

- Mouthrinses containing fluoride are recommended in a “swish and spit” manner for children at least age 6.
 - Daily use of a 0.05% sodium fluoride rinse may benefit children over 6 years who are at high risk for dental caries
 - No additional benefit shown beyond daily fluoridated toothpaste use for children at low risk for caries

المضامض الفلورية

- يستخدم عادةً محلول فلور الصوديوم المعتدل NaF بتركيز:
 - ٠,٢ % أسبوعياً (٩٠٥ ppm).
 - ٠,٥ % يومياً (٢٢٦ ppm).
- غسول فلور القصدير SnF ٠,١ % يومياً (٢٤٢ ppm).
- غسول فلور الفوسفات الحامضية APF ٠,١ % أسبوعياً (١٠٠٠ ppm).
- APF ٠,٢٢ % يومياً (٢٠٠ ppm).

- يستخدم عادةً ١٠ مل من المحلول في كل مرة ويتم المضمضة لمدة دقيقة ثم يجب الامتناع عن الأكل والشرب لمدة ٣٠ دقيقة على الأقل.
- بالنسبة للأطفال يستخدم ٧ مل والمضمضة لمدة ٣٠ ثانية.

- استطببات استخدام المضامض الفلورية :
 - ١- عند الأطفال المعالجين بأجهزة تقويمية.
 - ٢- عند مرضى الأجهزة الصناعية الجزئية.
 - ٣- المرضى الذين لديهم فعالية نخرية عالية أو عالي الخطورة بالنسبة للنخر السني.

● لا تستطب المضامض الفلورية عند الأطفال تحت عمر الـ ٦ سنوات بسبب عدم نضج منعكس البلع لديهم.

Fluoride Gels

- Fluoride gels are professionally applied or prescribed for home use under professional supervision. They are typically recommended for use twice per year.

Fluoride Gels





● تكون تراكيز الهلام الفلوري عالية وتتطلب الحذر في استخدامها :

● ١,٢٣ % APF (١٢٣٠٠ ppm).

● ٠,٤ % SnF (٩٦٨ ppm).

● ٢ % NaF (٩٠٥٠ ppm).

Fluoride Varnish



Fluoride Varnish

- Varnish is a professionally applied, sticky resin of highly concentrated fluoride (up to 22,600 ppm).

In the United States, fluoride varnish has been approved by the FDA for use as a cavity liner and root desensitizer, but not specifically as an anti-caries agent.

-For caries prevention, fluoride varnish is an “off label” product.

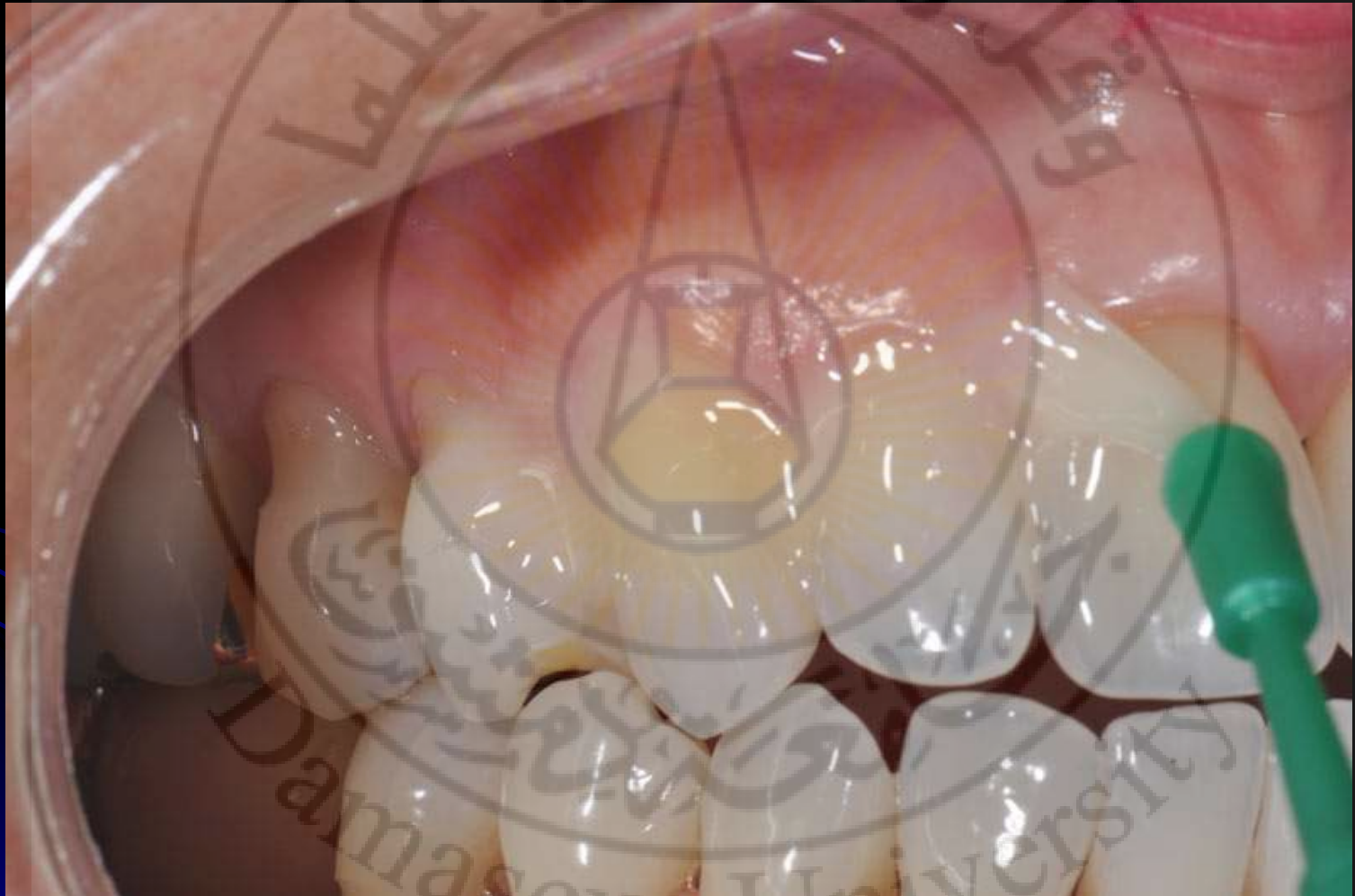




Fluoride Varnish

- Application frequency for fluoride varnish
- ranges from 2 to 6 times per year.

The use of fluoride varnish leads to a **33%** reduction in decayed, missing, and filled tooth surfaces(**DMF s**) in the primary teeth and a **46%** reduction in the permanent teeth.



Community Water Fluoridation

- The goal of community water fluoridation is to maximize dental caries prevention while minimizing the frequency of enamel fluorosis.
- In January 2011, the US Department of Health and Human Services proposed 0.7 ppm be considered the optimal fluoride concentration in drinking water.
- Because there is geographic variability in community water fluoridation, it is important to know fluoride content of the water children consume.



- Water fluoridation was recognized by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as one of the 10 greatest public health achievements of the 20th century.

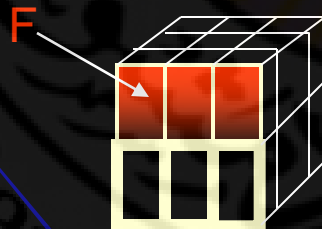
GOALS OF FLUORIDE (F) ADMINISTRATION

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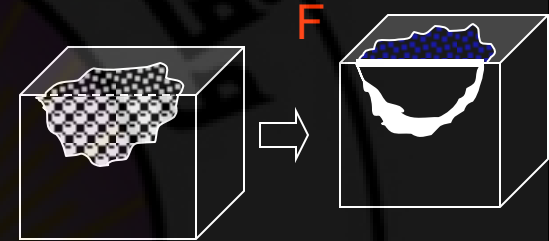


Fluorosis or
toxicity

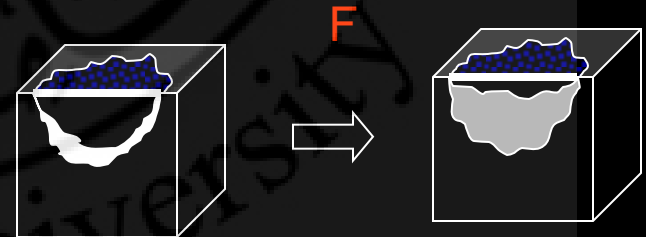
2. Prevent decay on intact dental surfaces



3. Arrest active decay



4. Remineralize decalcified teeth





mild



moderate



pitting



severe

**Sealants protect
the chewing
surfaces!**

**Fluoride
protects the
smooth
surfaces!**



Fluoride Dietary Supplementation

When access to community water fluoridation is limited, fluoride can be supplemented in liquid, tablet, or lozenge form.

Fluoride supplements require a prescription. Fluoride supplements should be prescribed only to children whose community water source has Suboptimal fluoride levels.



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Supplementation Dosing Schedule

The AAP, ADA, and AAPD have developed the following recommendations regarding fluoride supplementation:

1. All sources of fluoride must be considered, including primary drinking water, other sources of water, prescriptions from the dentist, fluoride mouthrinse in school, and fluoride varnish.
2. Children who have adequate access to (and are drinking) appropriately fluoridated community water should NOT be supplemented.
3. Children younger than 6 months and older than 16 years should NOT be supplemented.

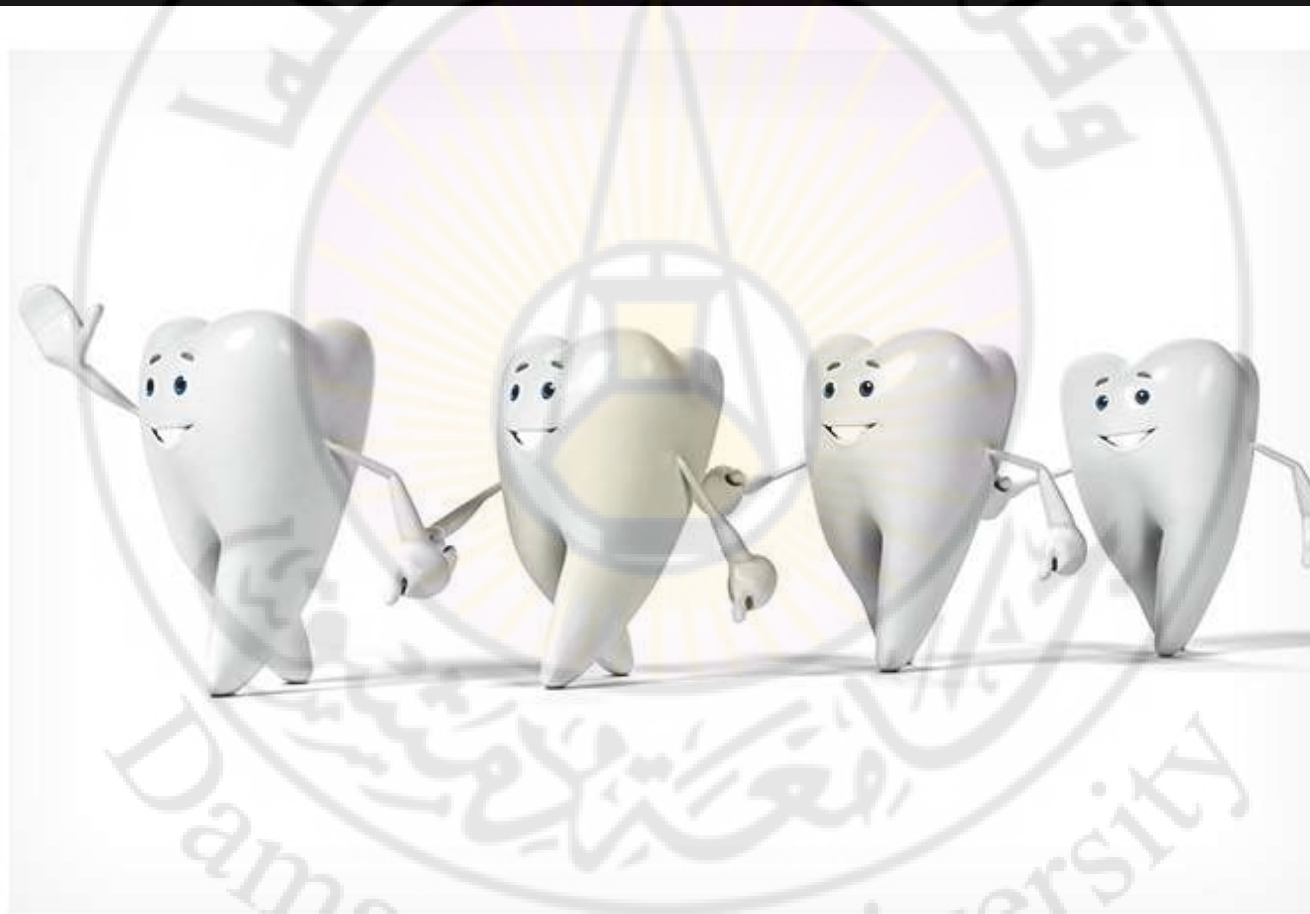
Fluoride Supplements, continued

The American Dental Association (ADA) and the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD) recommend fluoride supplements be prescribed only to children at high risk for caries.

- Strength of recommendation: B

The United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) in 2014 recommended **fluoride supplementation be prescribed to ALL children older than 6 months whose primary water source is deficient in fluoride.**

- Strength of recommendation: B.
- The AAP endorses the USPSTF recommendation to prescribe fluoride supplements to all children ages 6 months to 16 years who drink sub-optimally fluoridated water.

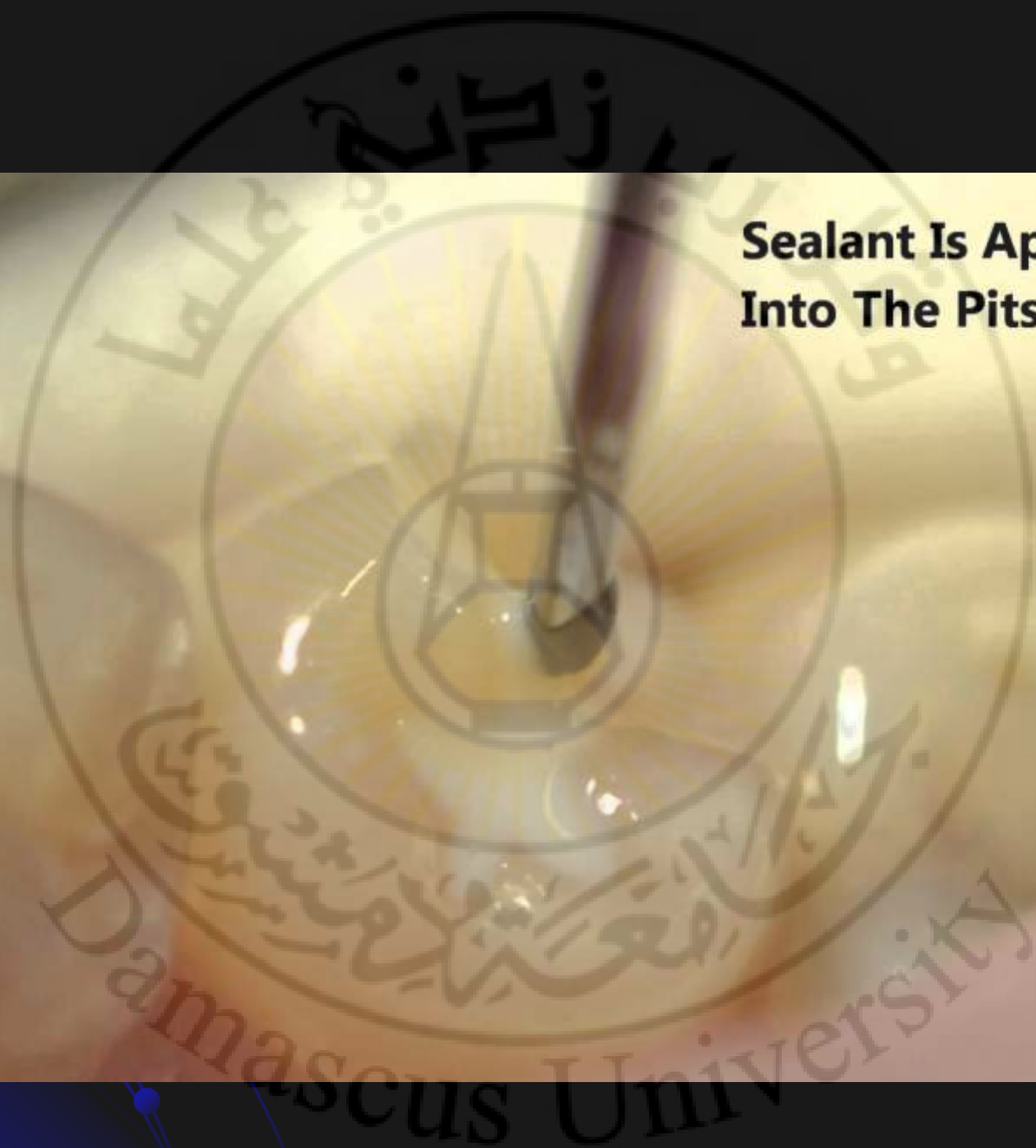


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PIT and FISSURE SEALANTS

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**Sealant Is Applied
Into The Pits & Fissures**



FISSURES AND GROOVES

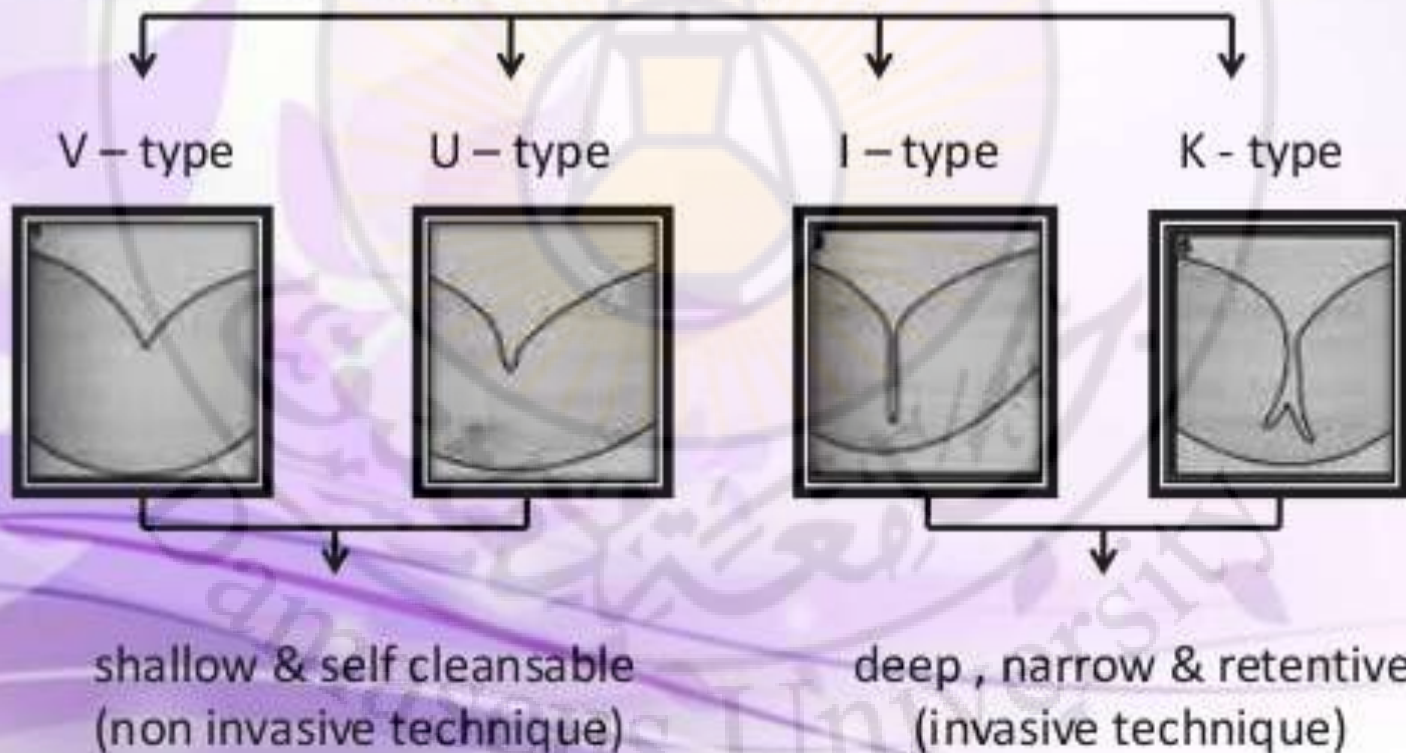
- They are formed at the junction of the developmental lobes of the enamel. Sound coalescence of the lobes results in grooves, faulty coalescence results in fissures.
- Fissures act as food and bacterial traps that may predispose tooth to dental caries.
- Occlusal grooves, which are sound, serve an important function as an escape path for the movement of food to the facial and lingual surfaces during mastication.
- The resulting narrow clefts provide a protected niche for acidogenic bacteria and the organic nutrients they require.

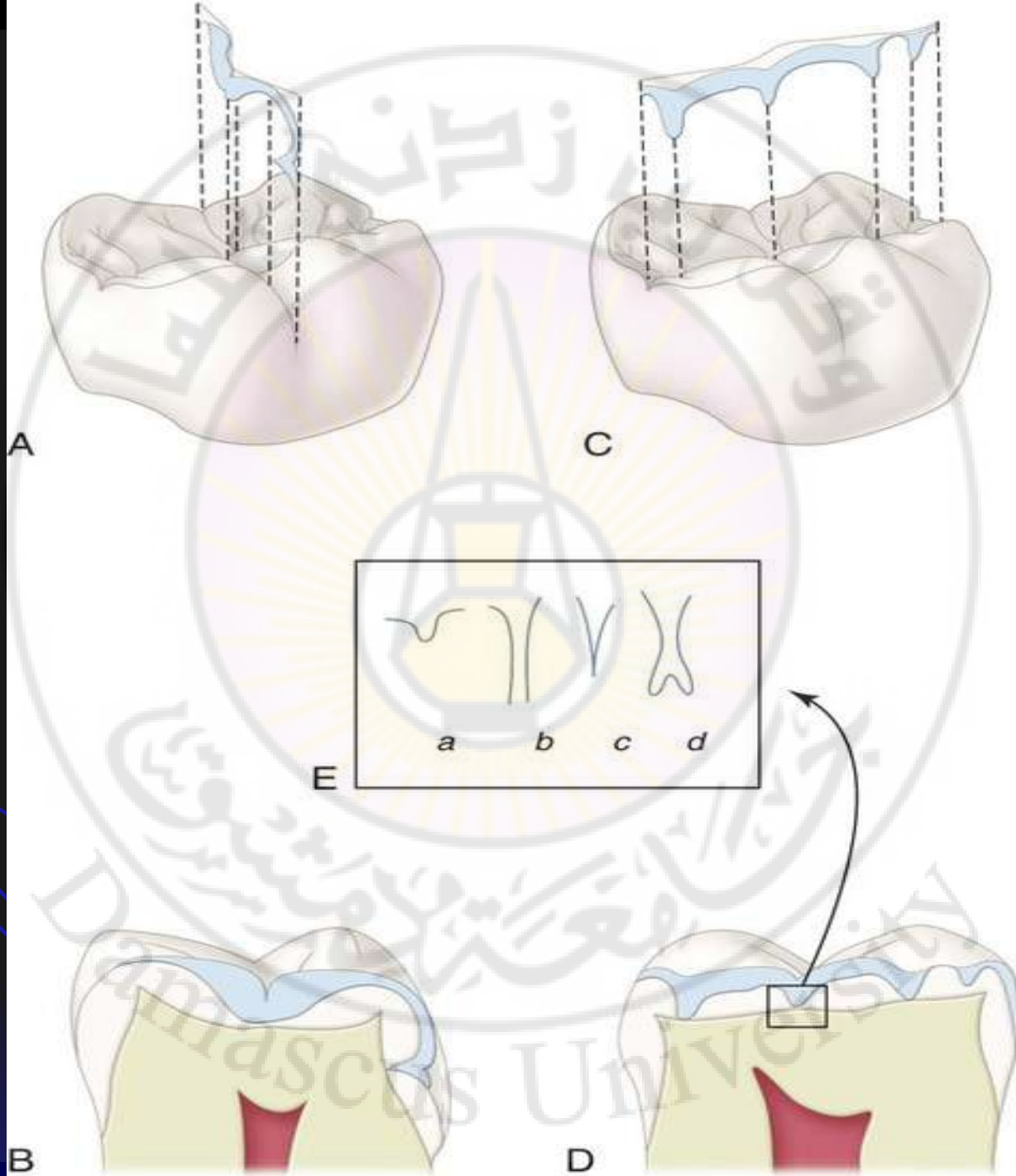
- There are 5 types of fissures based on the alphabetical description of shape they are
 - V type
 - U type
 - I type
 - K type
 - H shaped fissures-seen mostly in premolars.
- Susceptibility of caries is related to form and depth of these pits and fissures.
- The shallow wide V and U shaped fissures tend to be self-cleansing and somewhat caries resistant.
- Deep narrow I shaped and K shaped fissures are quite constricted and resemble a bottle neck.

PIT & FISSURE:

- ❑ **PIT:** Small pin point depression located at the junction of developmental grooves.
- ❑ **FISSURE:** Deep clefts between adjoining cusps.

MORPHOLOGY OF FISSURES: (NANGO - 1960)

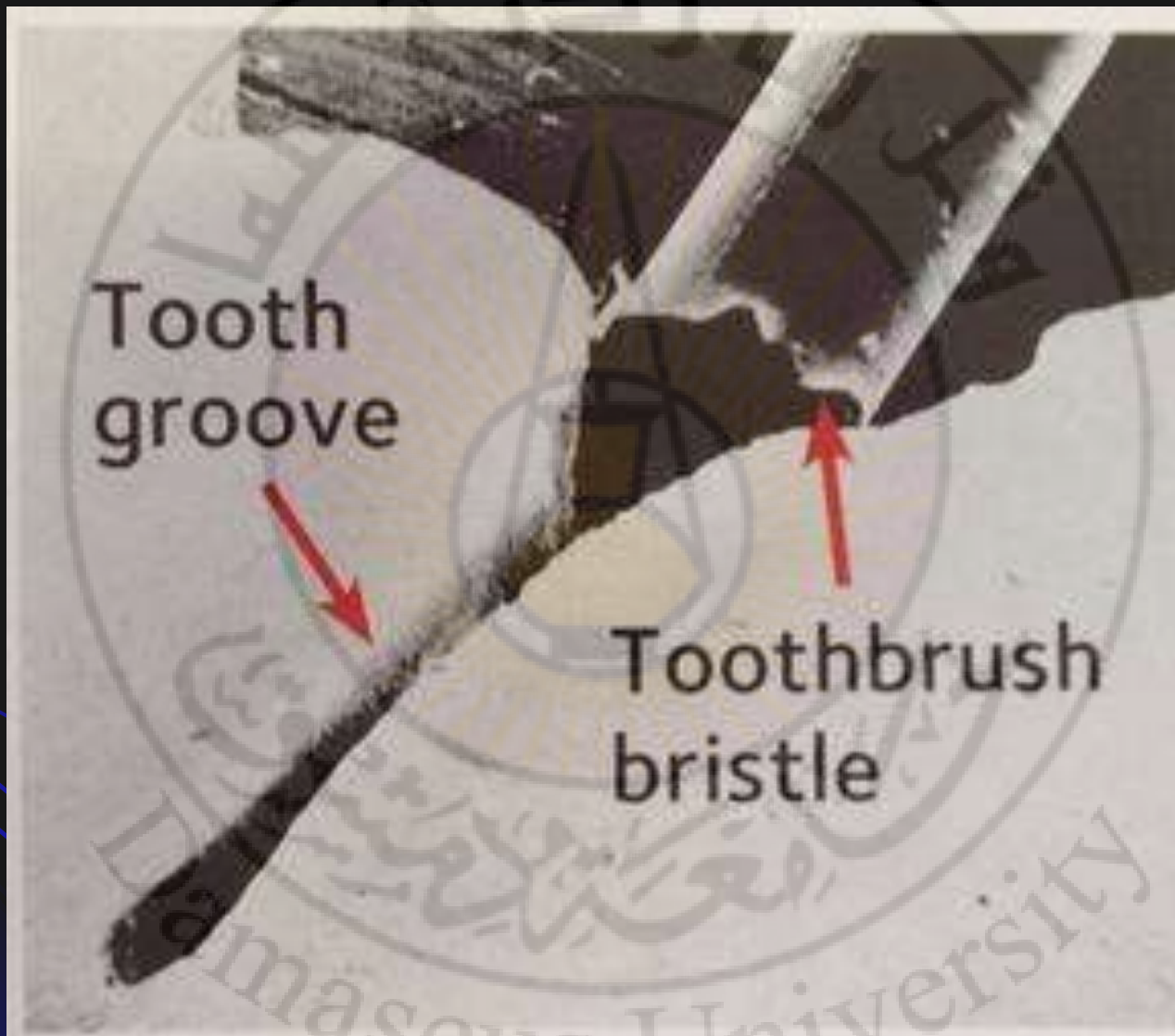




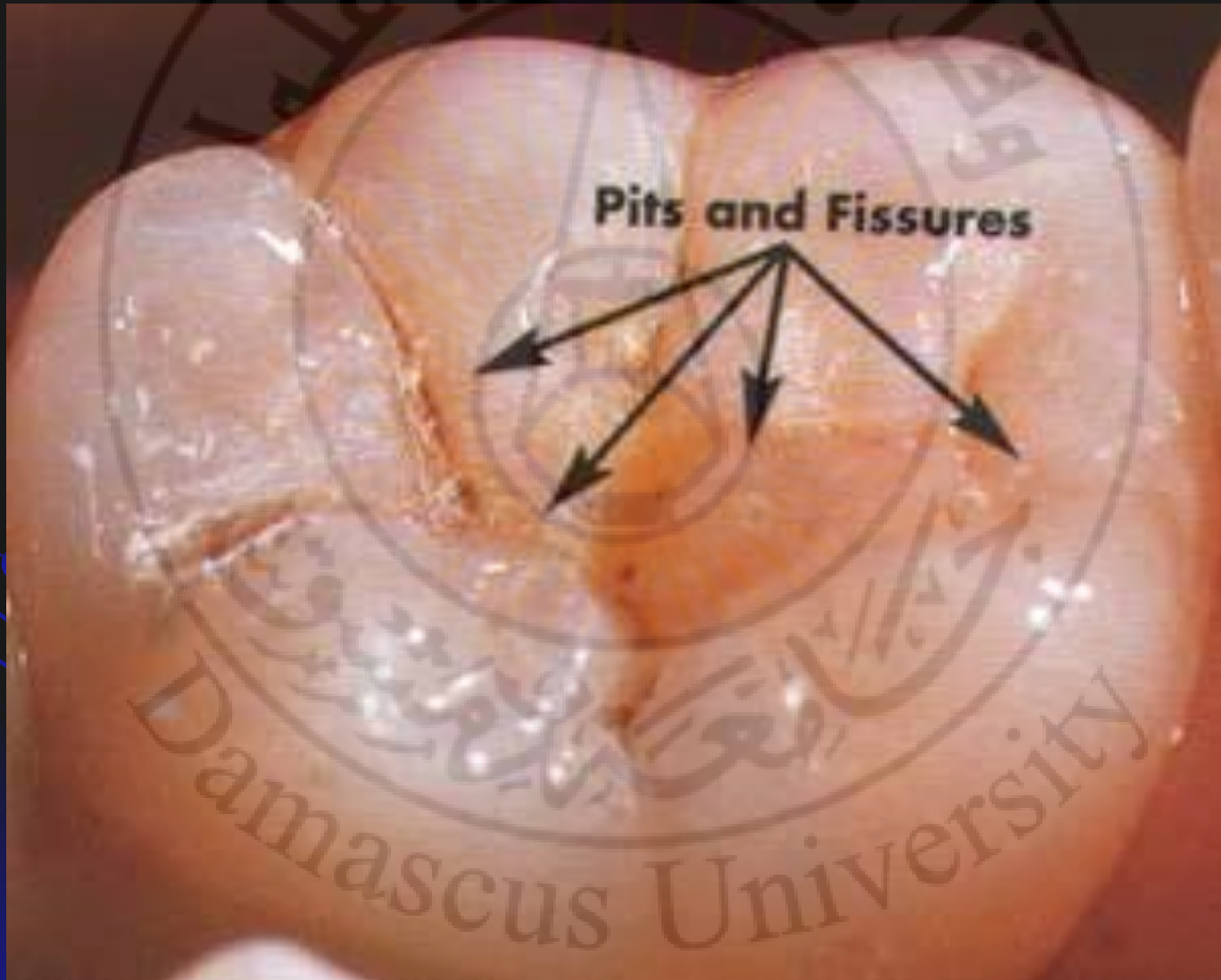


Pits and Fissures can be described as:

- Areas in the fossa's and grooves that have failed to form
- Found on occlusal surfaces of posterior teeth
- Found on the lingual of anterior teeth
- Narrow and deep grooves
- Can't be reach by brushing



Pits and Fissures





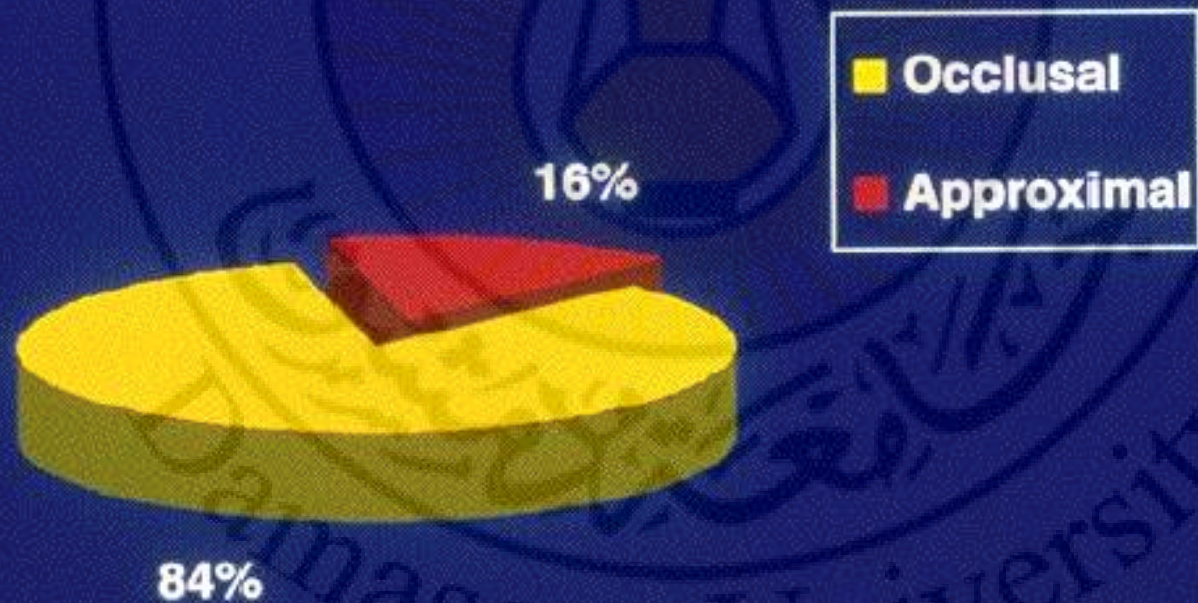


Toothbrush bristles are too large to clean out grooves in most teeth
(tiny cavities can develop in these grooves)



Dental sealants can be used to cover the grooves in teeth to prevent cavities from forming

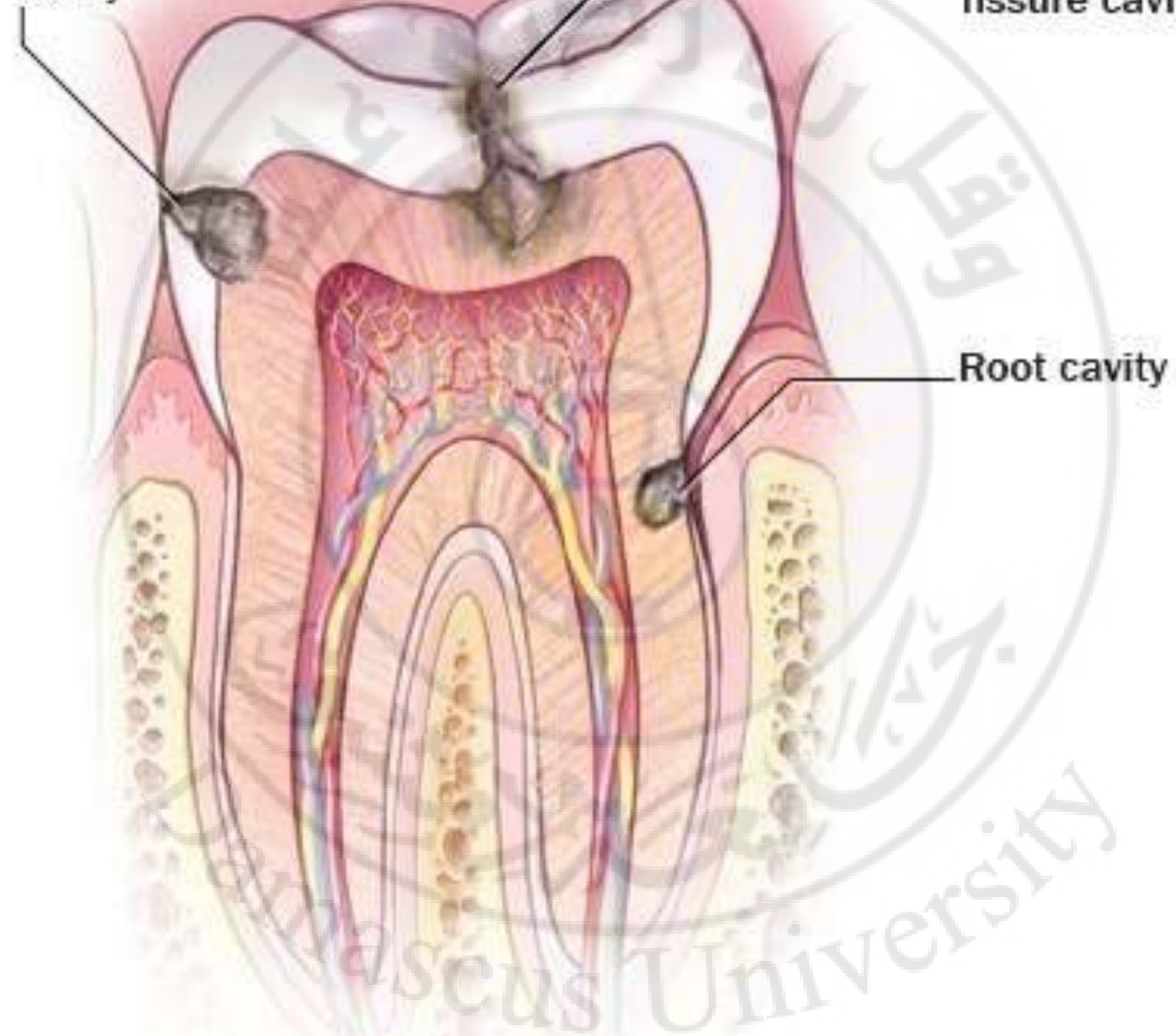
Occlusal vs. Proximal Caries in the USA



Smooth
surface
cavity

Pit and
fissure cavity

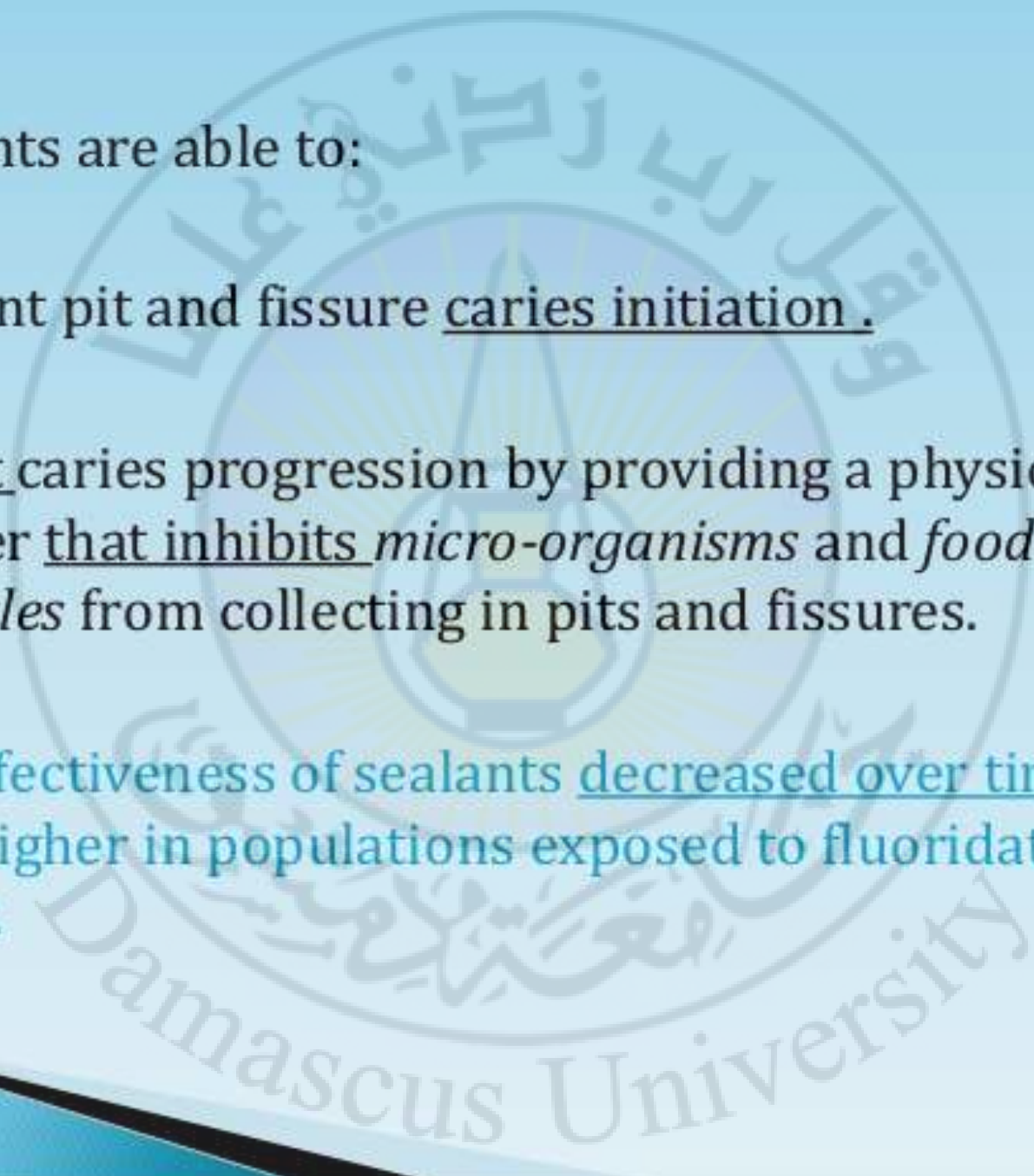
Root cavity



- **Sealants** are systems that can be applied to the occlusal surfaces of teeth to penetrate anatomic surface pits and fissures and form a physical barrier on the tooth surface.
- From the perspective of secondary prevention, sealants can inhibit the progression of non cavitated caries lesions.

Dental Sealants

- Very effective in prevention of caries
- Fills deficient pits and fissures
- Acts as a barrier to plaque and bacteria
- Non-invasive
- Can also be used to seal margins of composite restorations.

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- ▶ Sealants are able to:
 - prevent pit and fissure caries initiation.
 - arrest caries progression by providing a physical barrier that inhibits *micro-organisms* and *food particles* from collecting in pits and fissures.
 - ▶ the effectiveness of sealants decreased over time and was higher in populations exposed to fluoridated water.

Sealants Indications

- 1- Mineralization defects.
- 2- fissure morphology (deep fissures...).
- 3- incomplete or ill formed pits.
- 4- lack of self- cleaning.
- 5- lack of good mechanical cleaning.
- 6- newly erupted teeth (children).
- 7- high caries rate.
- 8- stained P&F with minimum decalcification

Contraindications for Sealant application

- 1- teeth that are not fully erupted(resin sealants).
- 2- primary teeth that will exfoliate in six months.
- 3- occlusal caries visible on radiograph, or clinically detectable carious lesions.
- 4-teeth with proximal decay.
- 5- open fissure.
- 6- uncooperative behavior during application procedure.

AGE RANGES FOR SEALANT APPLICATION:

- **3-4 YEARS- PRIMARY MOLARS**
- **6-7 YEARS- 1ST PERMANENT MOLAR**
- **11-13 YEARS- 2ND PERMANENT MOLAR AND PREMOLARS.**



Types of Sealant Material

Resin sealant	Glass ionomer sealant
Better retention	Poorer retention
Technique-sensitive application	Easier application
Longer time to apply	Short application time
Act as barrier only; no residual effect if lost	Release of fluoride; some effect even if lost

TYPES OF P&F SEALANT MATERIALS :

➤ resin-based sealants :

- May or may not contain filler particles or fluoride.
- The setting reaction can be automatic(auto-polymerised) or light activated (light-polymerised)..
- Low viscosity resin-based RM (flowable composite) have also been used as fissure sealant.
- retention rates 2%–80% better than the GIC sealants.

▶ glass ionomer sealants :

- can adhere directly to tooth substance.
- release fluoride over time.
- Less sensitive to moisture contamination than resin-based materials.
- Retention is a major problem with GIC sealants, but if this concern can be resolved, there maybe advantages to the GIC sealants through the release of fluoride.

يستعمل الـ GIC على الأسنان البازغة حديثاً أو طور البزوغ



Sealant Application Technique

- ◆ Isolation
- ◆ Etching
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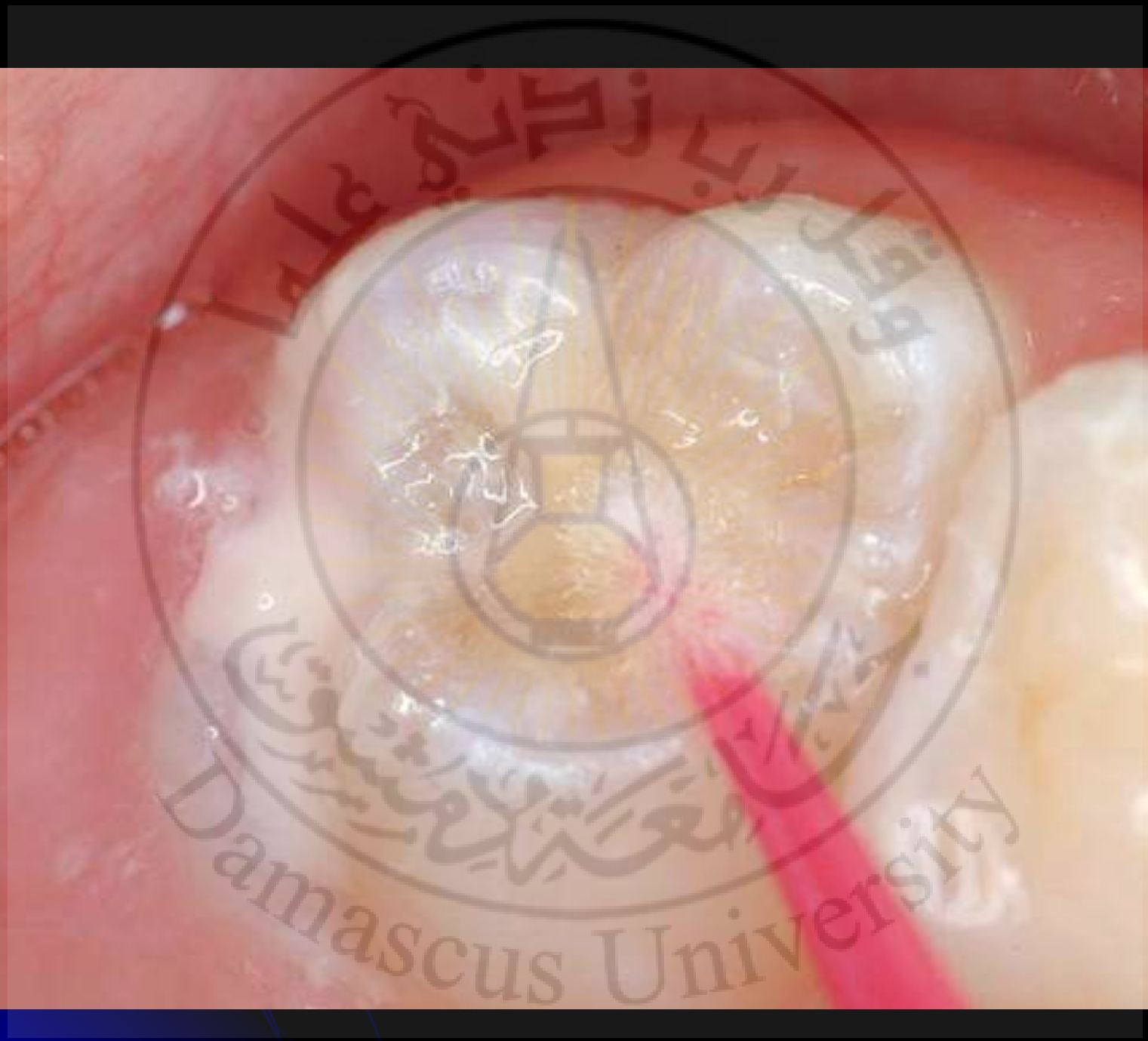


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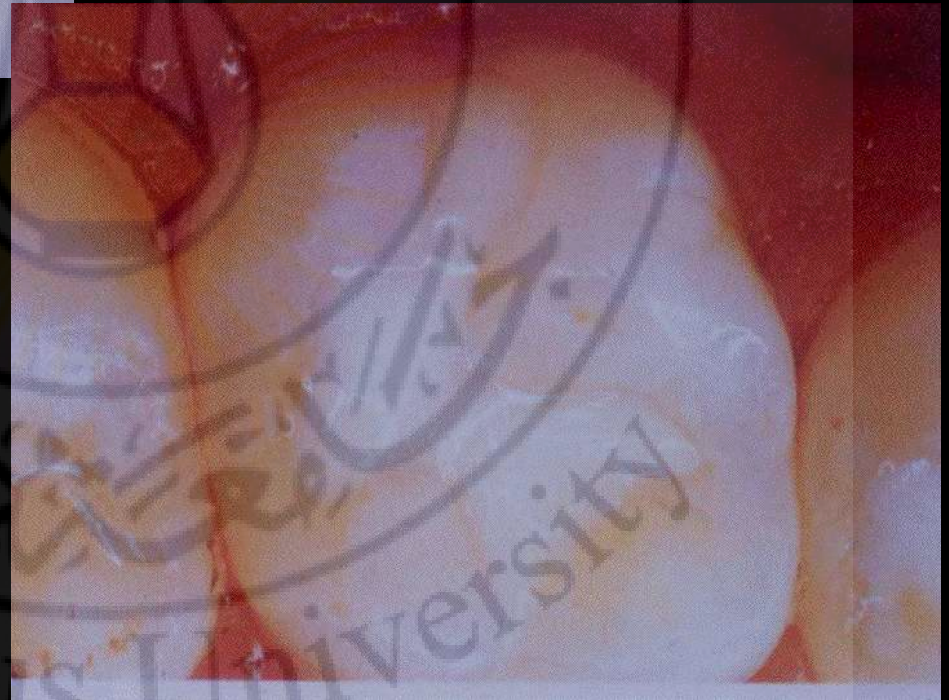


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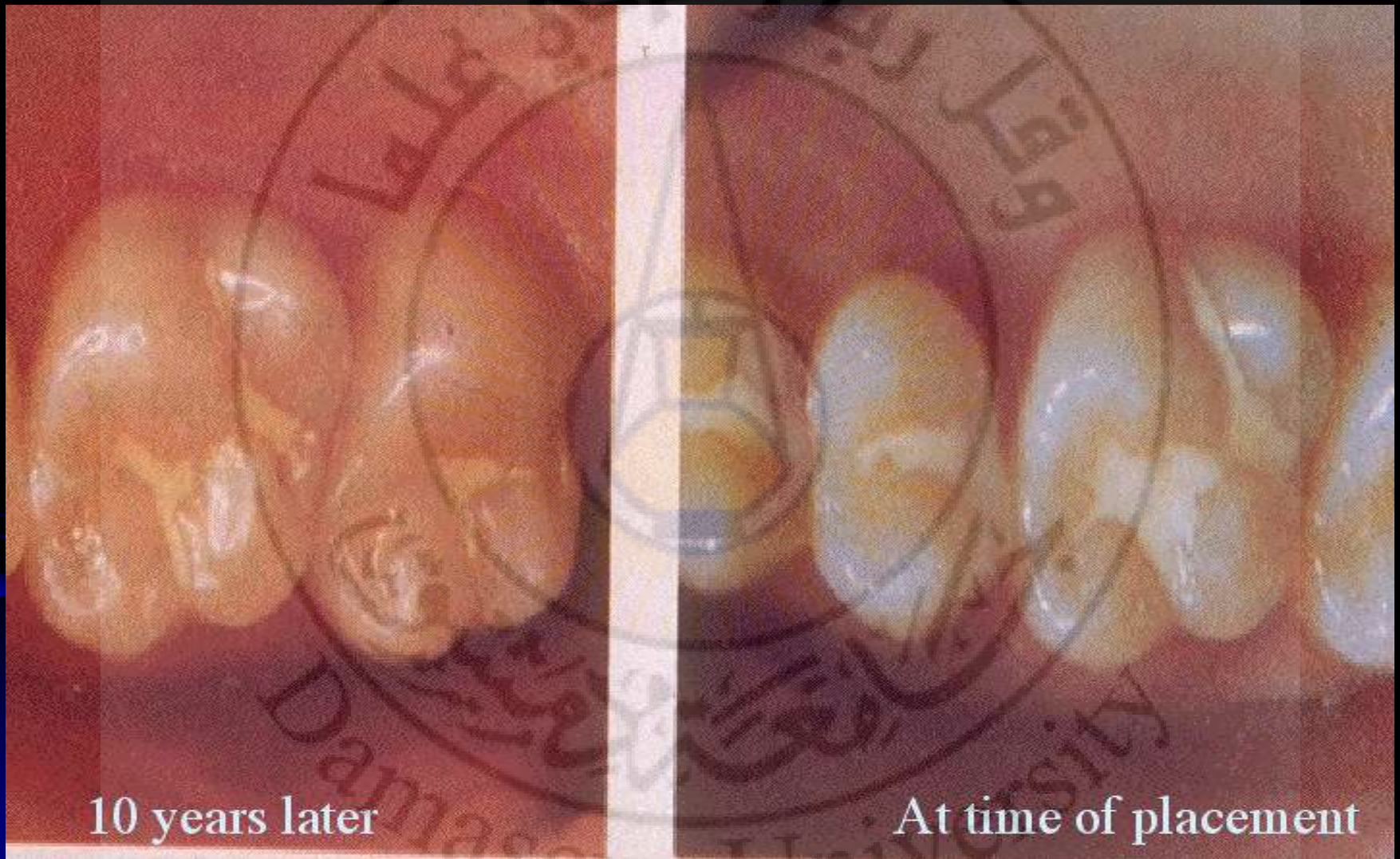




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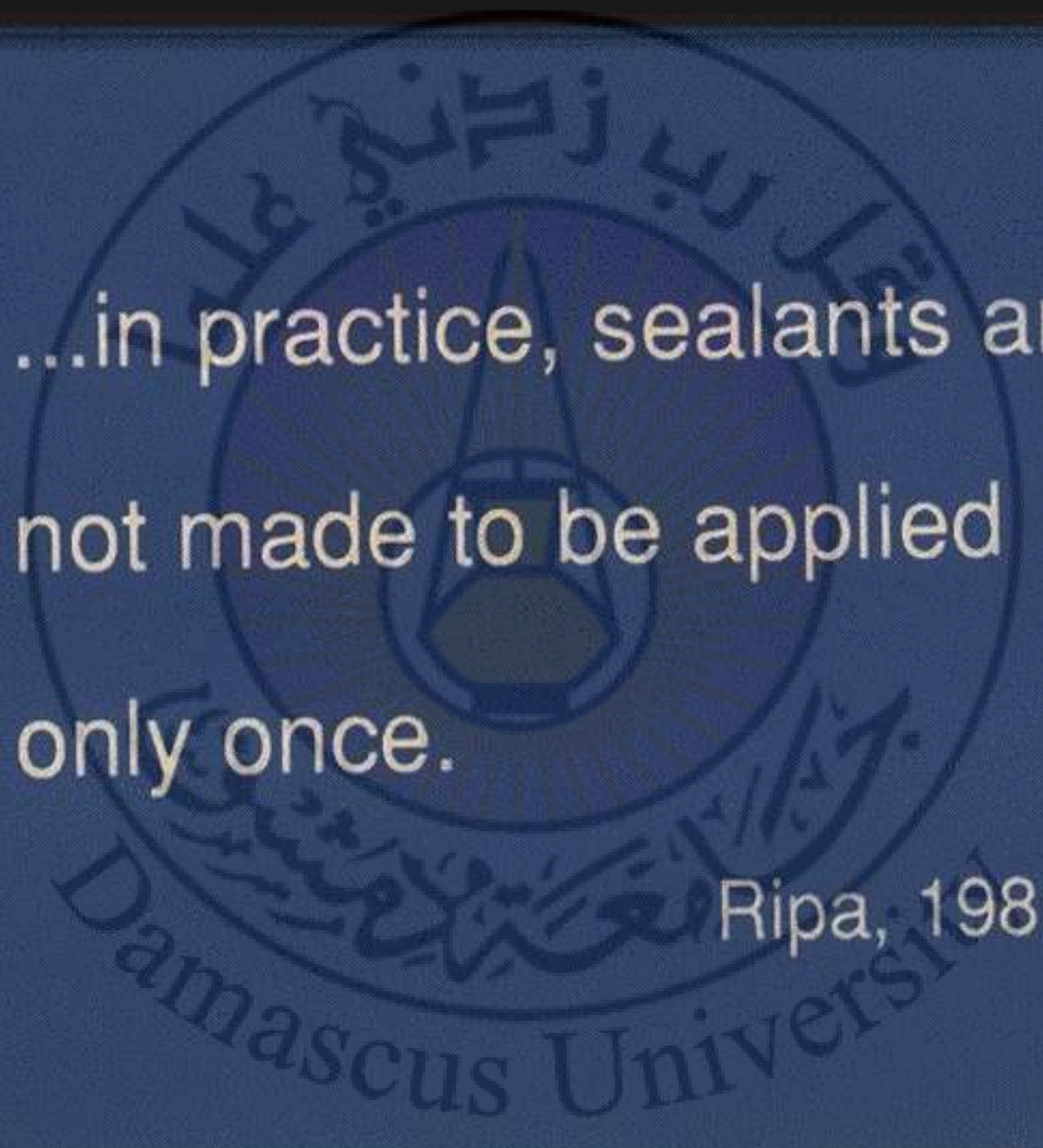
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The background image shows the process of applying a dental sealant. A dental professional is using a brush to apply a blue and red liquid sealant onto a tooth. The sealant is then cured with a blue light. The background is a light blue gradient with a faint watermark of a dental chair and the text 'Dental Sealant'.

Sealants

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THE CARIES BALANCE

Disease Causing Factors

BAD disease-causing factors include the following:

Bad Bacteria – Acid-producing Bad bacteria

Absence of Saliva – The Absence of healthy salivary function (for example, dry mouth)

Dietary Habits (Poor) – Frequent sugars and acids lead to de-mineralization and a low pH allowing bad bacteria to thrive starting the decay process

Protective Factors

SAFE protective factors include the following:

Saliva and Sealants – Saliva neutralizes acid encouraging good bacteria to thrive and aids re-mineralization. Sealants seal the chewing surfaces of the teeth most likely to decay

Antimicrobials – Helping rid the bad bacteria and establish health-promoting bacteria

Fluoride – Strengthening the tooth surfaces against demineralization promoting re-mineralization

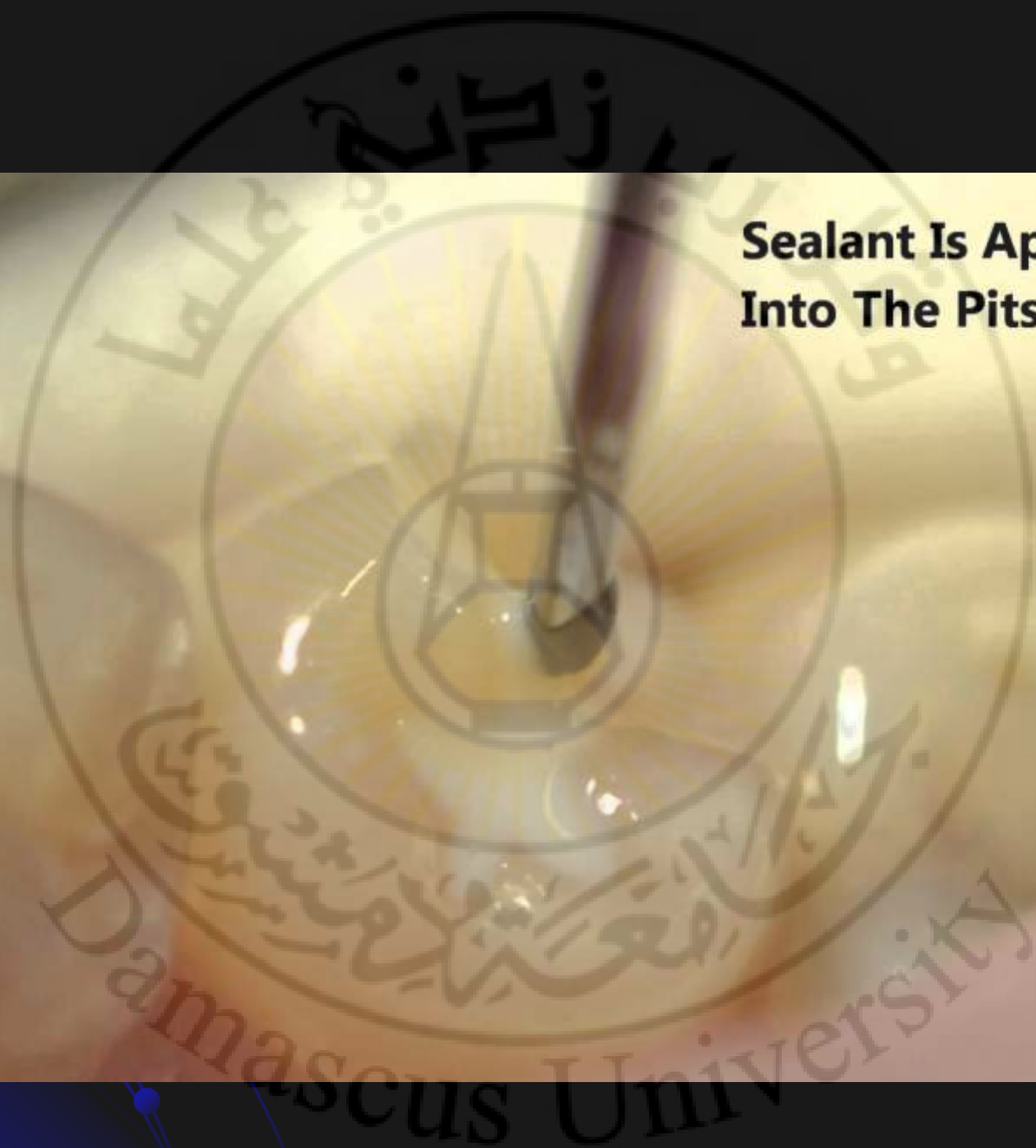
Effective Diet – Consuming a healthy diet



PIT and FISSURE SEALANTS

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**Sealant Is Applied
Into The Pits & Fissures**



FISSURES AND GROOVES

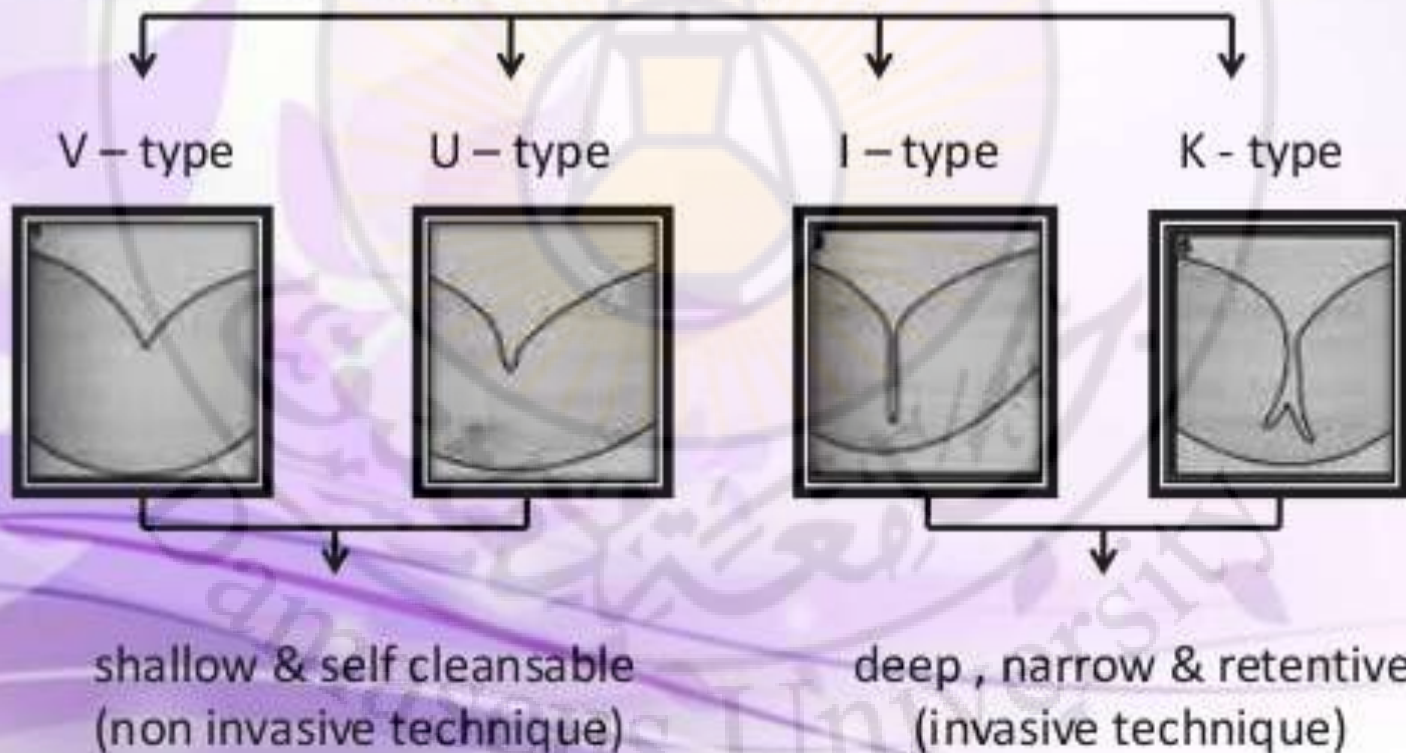
- They are formed at the junction of the developmental lobes of the enamel. Sound coalescence of the lobes results in grooves, faulty coalescence results in fissures.
- Fissures act as food and bacterial traps that may predispose tooth to dental caries.
- Occlusal grooves, which are sound, serve an important function as an escape path for the movement of food to the facial and lingual surfaces during mastication.
- The resulting narrow clefts provide a protected niche for acidogenic bacteria and the organic nutrients they require.

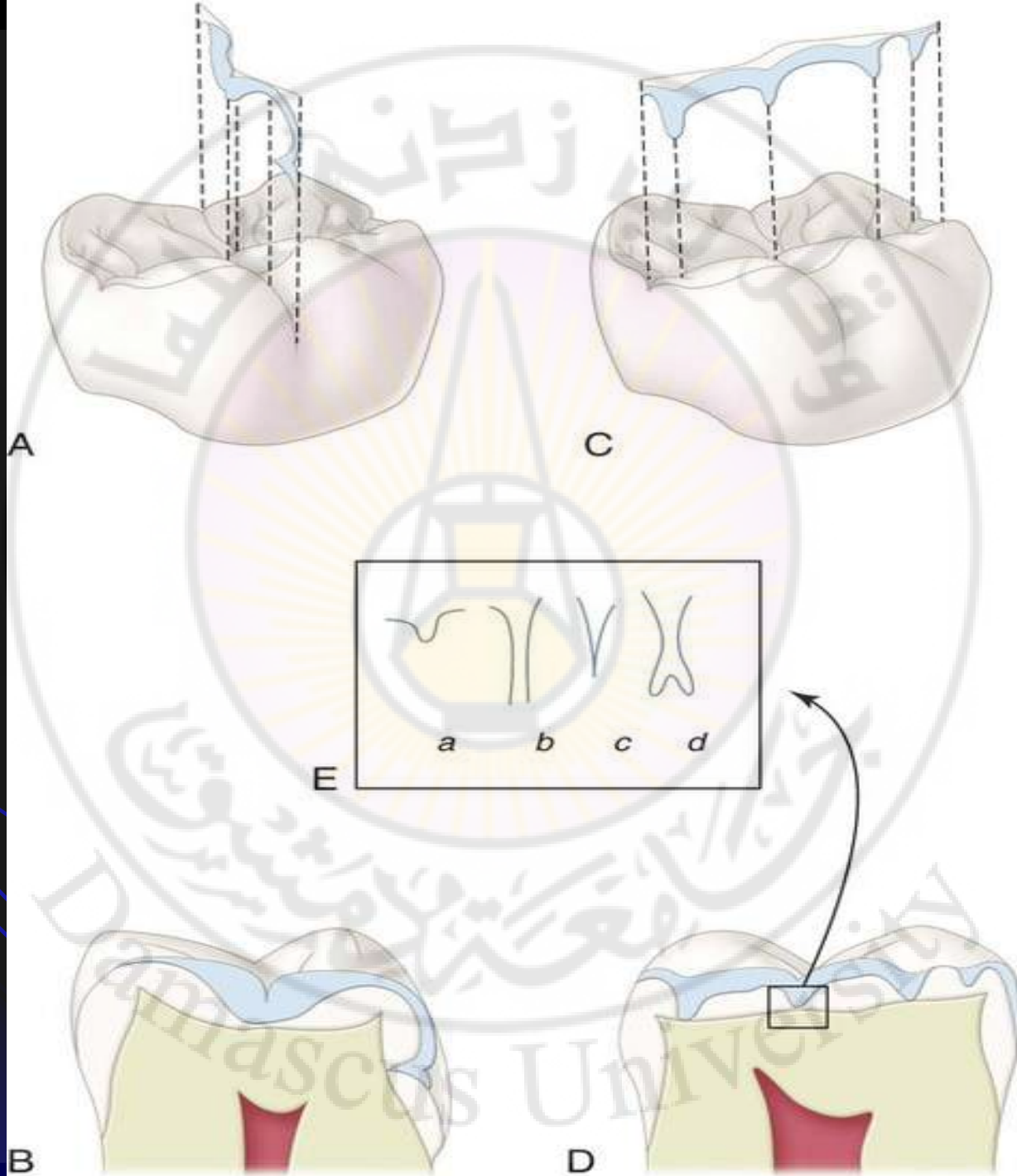
- There are 5 types of fissures based on the alphabetical description of shape they are
 - V type
 - U type
 - I type
 - K type
 - H shaped fissures-seen mostly in premolars.
- Susceptibility of caries is related to form and depth of these pits and fissures.
- The shallow wide V and U shaped fissures tend to be self-cleansing and somewhat caries resistant.
- Deep narrow I shaped and K shaped fissures are quite constricted and resemble a bottle neck.

PIT & FISSURE:

- ❑ **PIT:** Small pin point depression located at the junction of developmental grooves.
- ❑ **FISSURE:** Deep clefts between adjoining cusps.

MORPHOLOGY OF FISSURES: (NANGO - 1960)

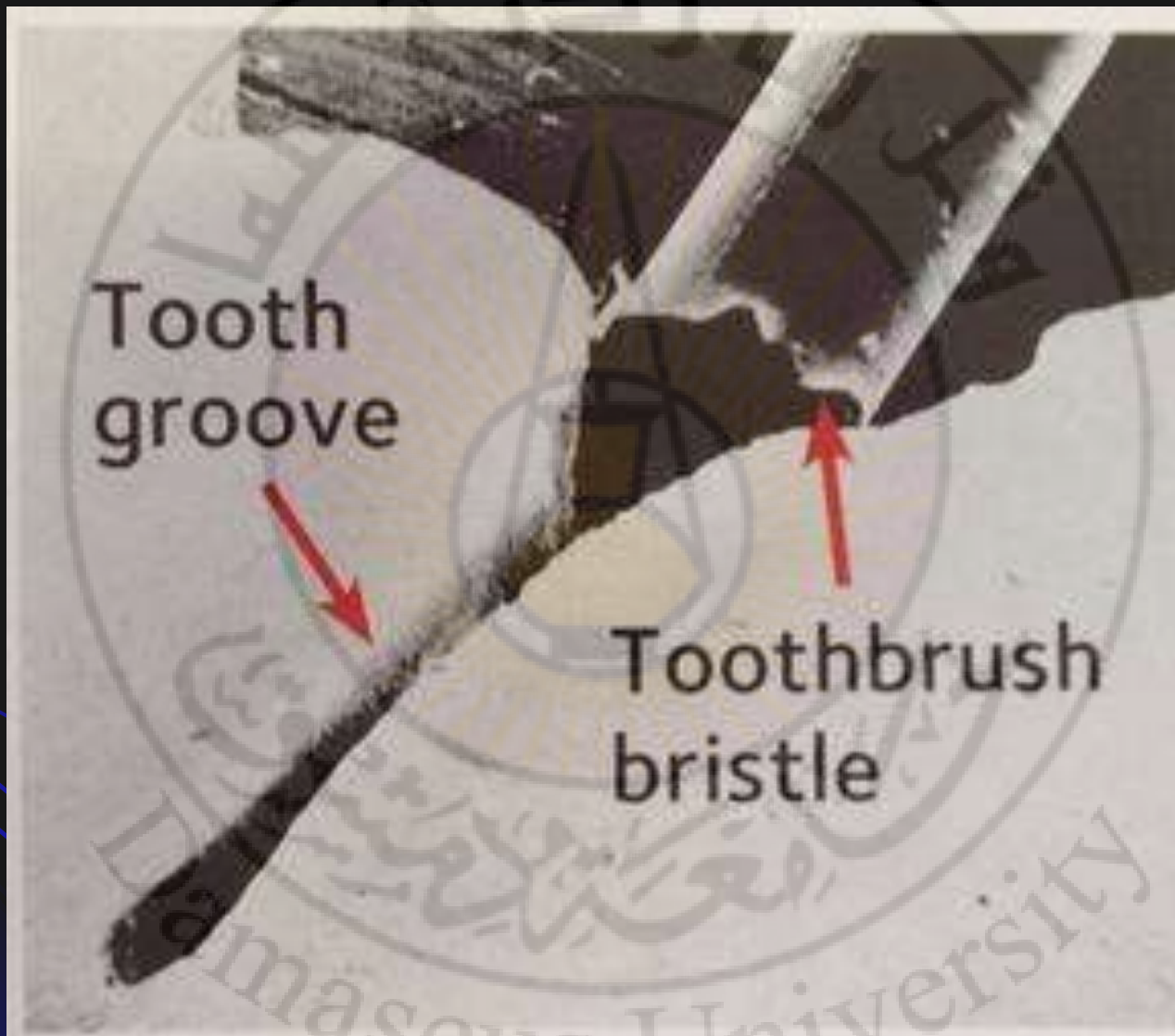




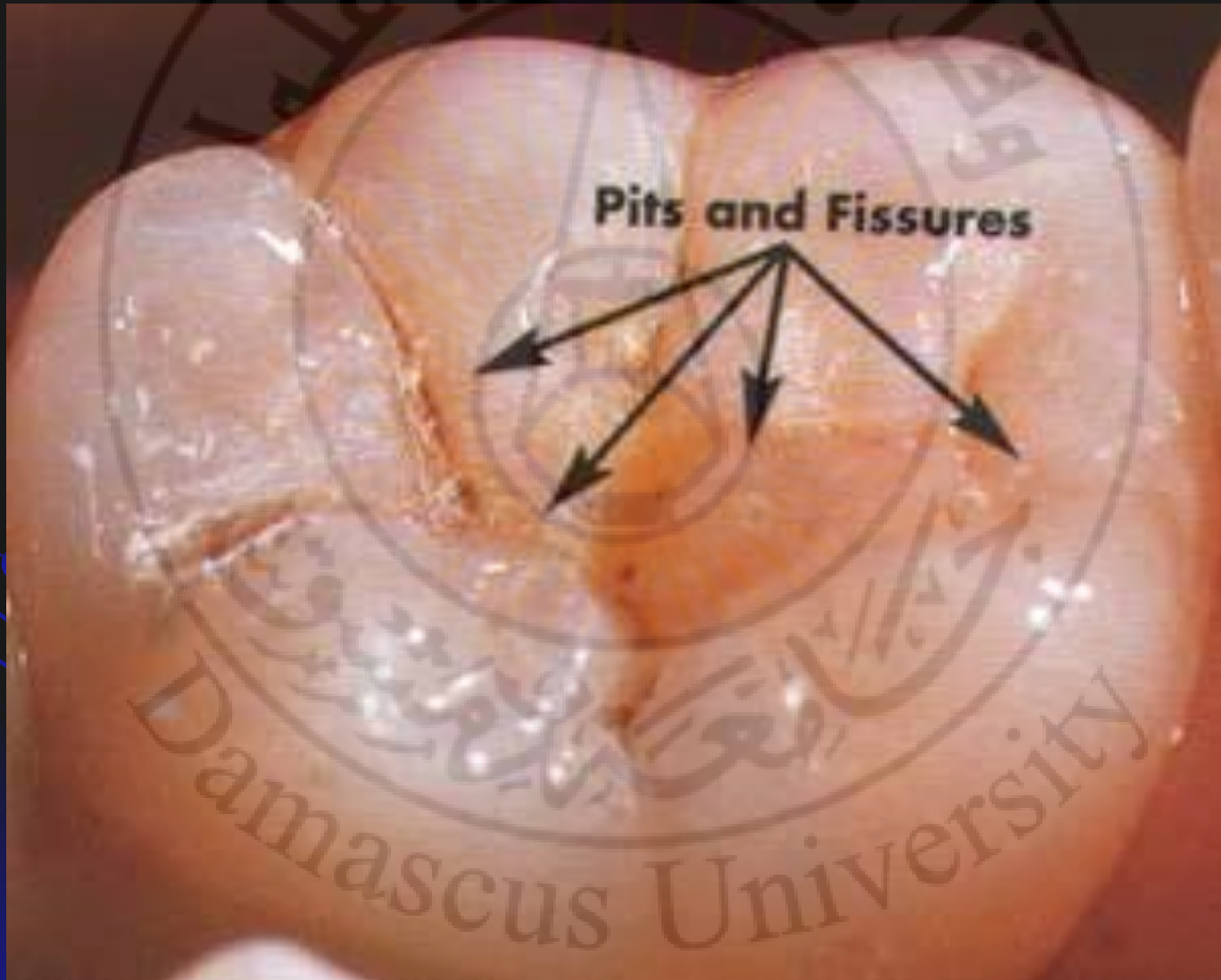


Pits and Fissures can be described as:

- Areas in the fossa's and grooves that have failed to form
- Found on occlusal surfaces of posterior teeth
- Found on the lingual of anterior teeth
- Narrow and deep
- Can't be reach by brushing



Pits and Fissures





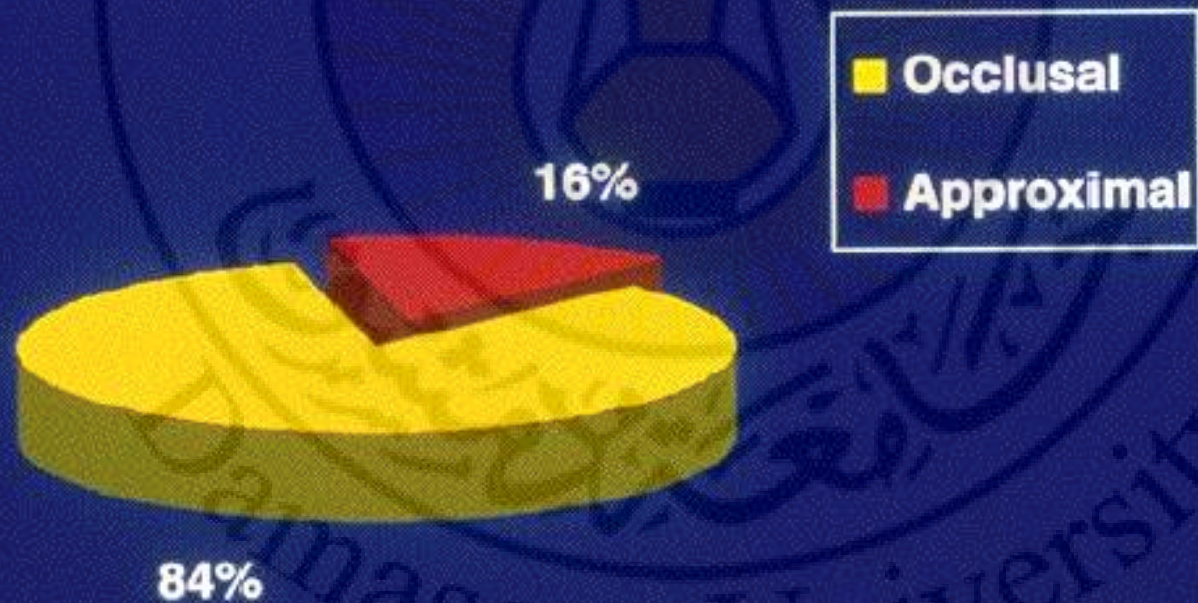


Toothbrush bristles are too large to clean out grooves in most teeth
(tiny cavities can develop in these grooves)



Dental sealants can be used to cover the grooves in teeth to prevent cavities from forming

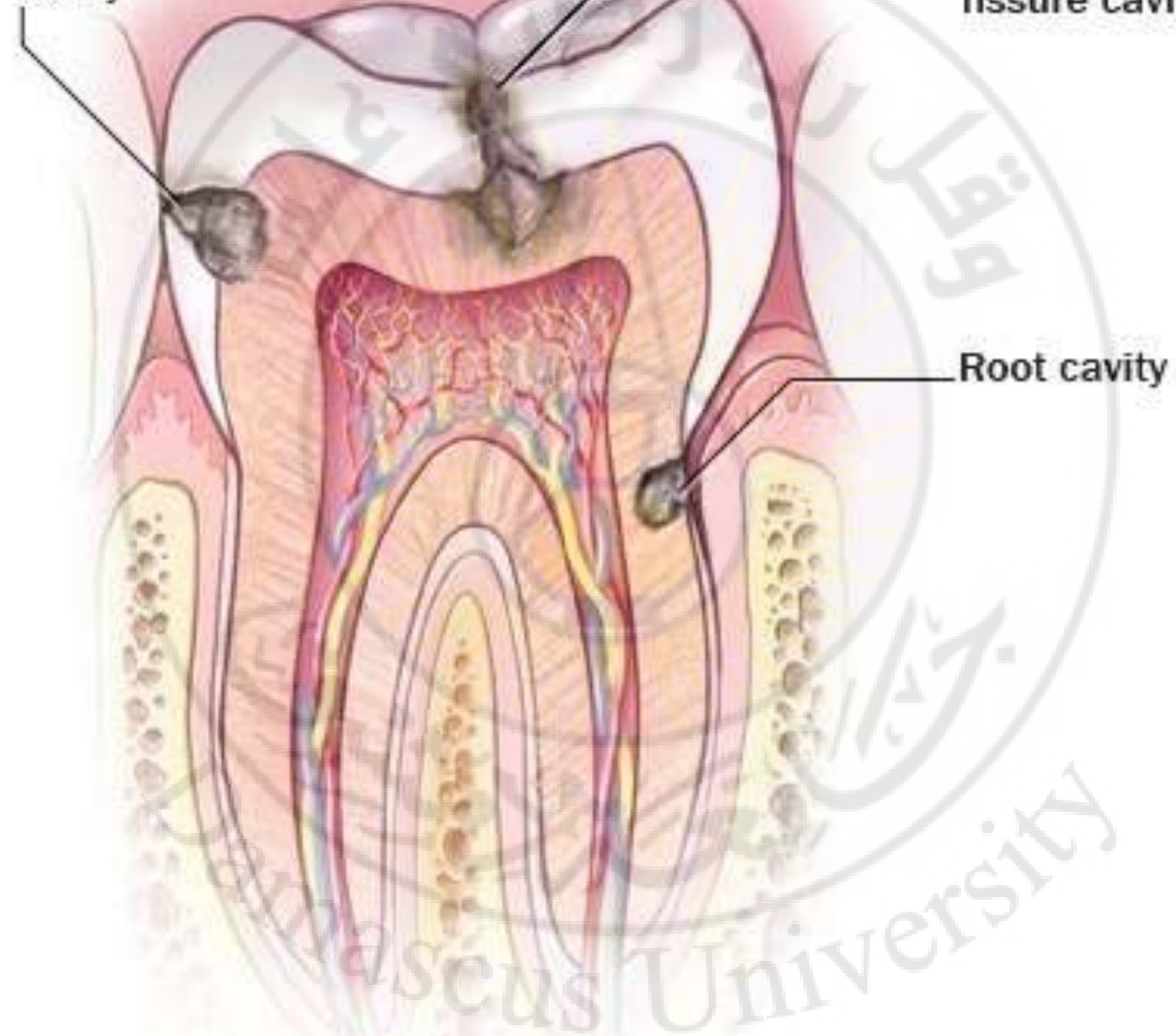
Occlusal vs. Proximal Caries in the USA



Smooth
surface
cavity

Pit and
fissure cavity

Root cavity



- **Sealants** are systems that can be applied to the occlusal surfaces of teeth to penetrate anatomic surface pits and fissures and form a *physical barrier* on the tooth surface.
- From the perspective of **secondary prevention**, sealants can inhibit the progression of non cavitated caries lesions.

Dental Sealants

- Very effective in prevention of caries
- Fills deficient pits and fissures
- Acts as a barrier to plaque and bacteria
- Non-invasive
- Can also be used to seal margins of composite restorations.

- ▶ Sealants are able to:
 - prevent pit and fissure caries initiation.
 - arrest caries progression by providing a physical barrier that inhibits *micro-organisms* and *food particles* from collecting in pits and fissures.
- ▶ the effectiveness of sealants decreased over time and was higher in populations exposed to fluoridated water.

Sealants Indications

- 1- Mineralization defects.
- 2- fissure morphology (deep fissures...).
- 3- incomplete or ill formed pits.
- 4- lack of self- cleaning.
- 5- lack of good mechanical cleaning.
- 6- newly erupted teeth (children).
- 7- high caries rate.
- 8- stained P&F with minimum decalcification

Contraindications for Sealant application

- 1- teeth that are not fully erupted(resin sealants).
- 2- primary teeth that will exfoliate in six months.
- 3- occlusal caries visible on radiograph, or clinically detectable carious lesions.
- 4-teeth with proximal decay.
- 5- open fissure.
- 6- uncooperative behavior during application procedure.

AGE RANGES FOR SEALANT APPLICATION:

- **3-4 YEARS- PRIMARY MOLARS**
- **6-7 YEARS- 1ST PERMANENT MOLAR**
- **11-13 YEARS- 2ND PERMANENT MOLAR AND PREMOLARS.**



Types of Sealant Material

Resin sealant	Glass ionomer sealant
Better retention	Poorer retention
Technique-sensitive application	Easier application
Longer time to apply	Short application time
Act as barrier only; no residual effect if lost	Release of fluoride; some effect even if lost

TYPES OF P&F SEALANT MATERIALS :

➤ resin-based sealants :

- May or may not contain filler particles or fluoride.
- The setting reaction can be automatic(auto-polymerised) or light activated (light-polymerised)..
- Low viscosity resin-based RM (flowable composite) have also been used as fissure sealant.
- retention rates 2%–80% better than the GIC sealants.

▶ glass ionomer sealants :

- can adhere directly to tooth substance.
- release fluoride over time.
- Less sensitive to moisture contamination than resin-based materials.
- Retention is a major problem with GIC sealants, but if this concern can be resolved, there maybe advantages to the GIC sealants through the release of fluoride.

يستعمل الـ GIC على الأسنان البازغة حديثاً أو طور البزوغ



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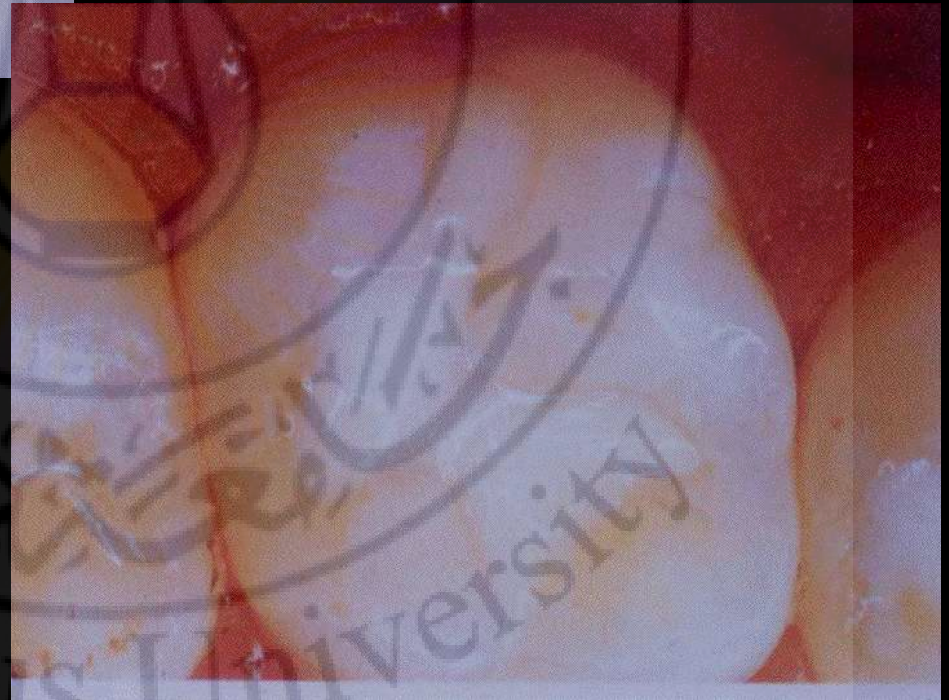


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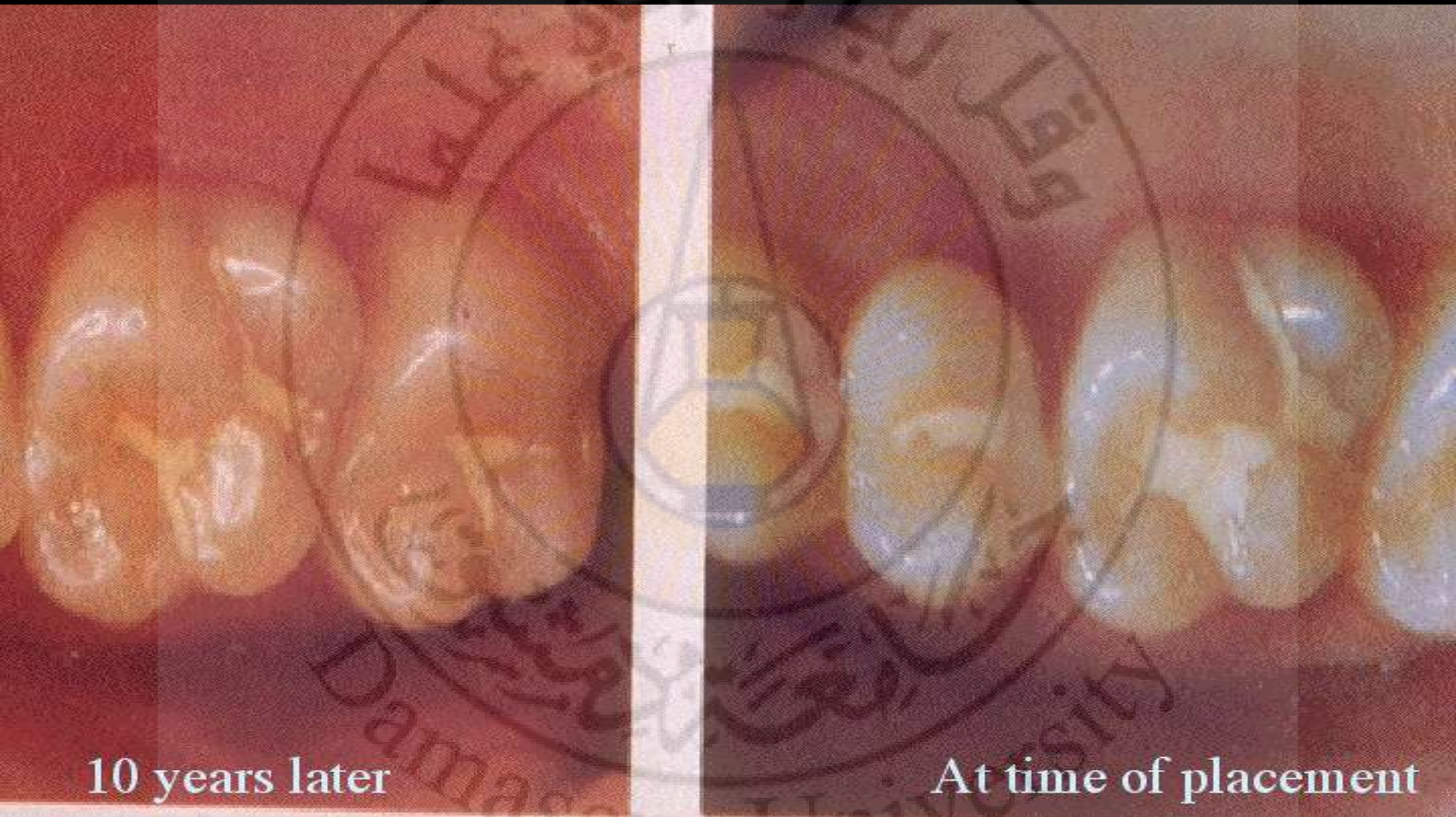






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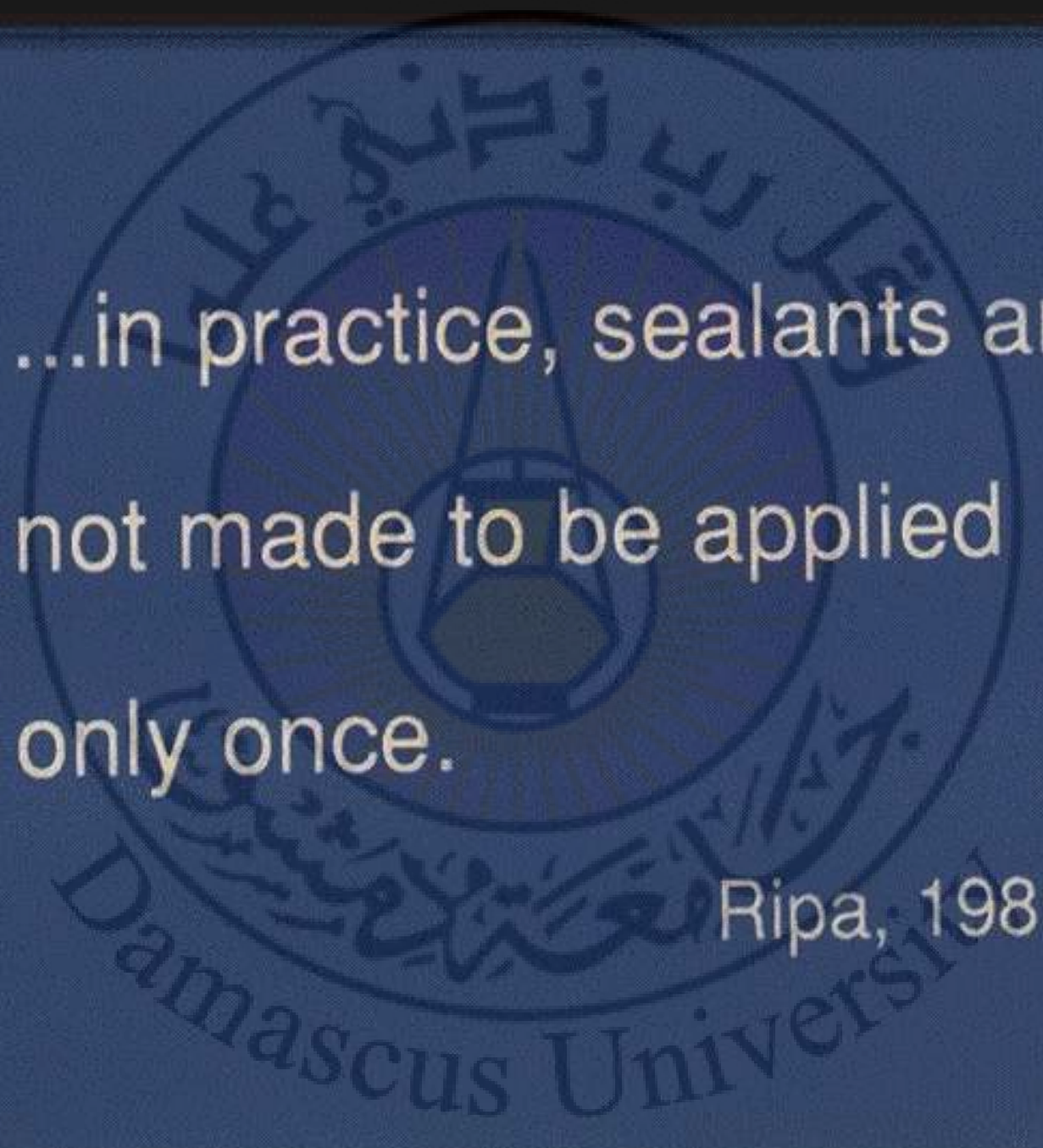
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