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Introduction

The increasing importance of adhesion in restorative dentistry has made it evident that information is needed on the relative performance of materials that are claimed to bond to tooth structure. In the absence of comparative clinical trials, much emphasis has been placed on laboratory assessment of bond strength. While bond strengths cannot predict exact clinical behaviour, they may be useful for batch quality control.

Adhesive materials are used in many types of restorative and preventive work. Even if the stress on the bond in most circumstances can be defined as either tensile, shear or a combination of these, there are no specific laboratory or clinical tests which can be valid for all the various clinical applications of adhesive materials.

It is, therefore, intended with this Technical Specification to standardize as far as possible different laboratory procedures whereby the effect or quality of a bond between a dental material and tooth structure can be substantiated. By gaining experience with a specific testing system, a correlation between laboratory and clinical performance of the materials can be sought.