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Erosive Tooth Wear in Children and Adolescents: Epidemiology, Risk Factors, Prevention and Clinical Management

Message from the Guest Editor:

Erosive tooth wear (ETW) is an increasingly recognised oral health concern among children and adolescents. Its multifactorial aetiology, involving dietary, behavioural, biological and environmental factors, presents important challenges for early identification, prevention and clinical management. The vulnerability of primary and permanent dentitions, together with variations in exposure and susceptibility throughout childhood, highlights the need for a comprehensive understanding of this condition.

This Special Issue aims to bring together current evidence on the epidemiology, risk indicators, prevention, diagnosis and clinical management of ETW in paediatric populations. Particular attention will be given to the prevalence, incidence and progression of ETW; the role of dietary habits and other associated factors; the validity and reliability of clinical assessment methods; and the potential impact of ETW on oral health-related quality of life.

We welcome original research, longitudinal and observational studies, clinical investigations, preventive interventions and evidence syntheses addressing ETW in children and adolescents. Studies exploring early detection, minimally invasive management and innovative approaches to prevention are particularly encouraged.

By integrating epidemiological and clinical perspectives, this Special Issue seeks to advance understanding of ETW and support evidence-based strategies for its prevention and management in paediatric dental practice.

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