

MYOFUNCTIONAL APPLIANCES

DEPARTMENT OF ORTHODONTICS AND
DENTOFACIAL ORTHOPAEDICS



LEARNING OBJECTIVE

1. To understand the importance of growth modulation.
2. To know the indications, contra-indications, limitations of myofunctional appliances.



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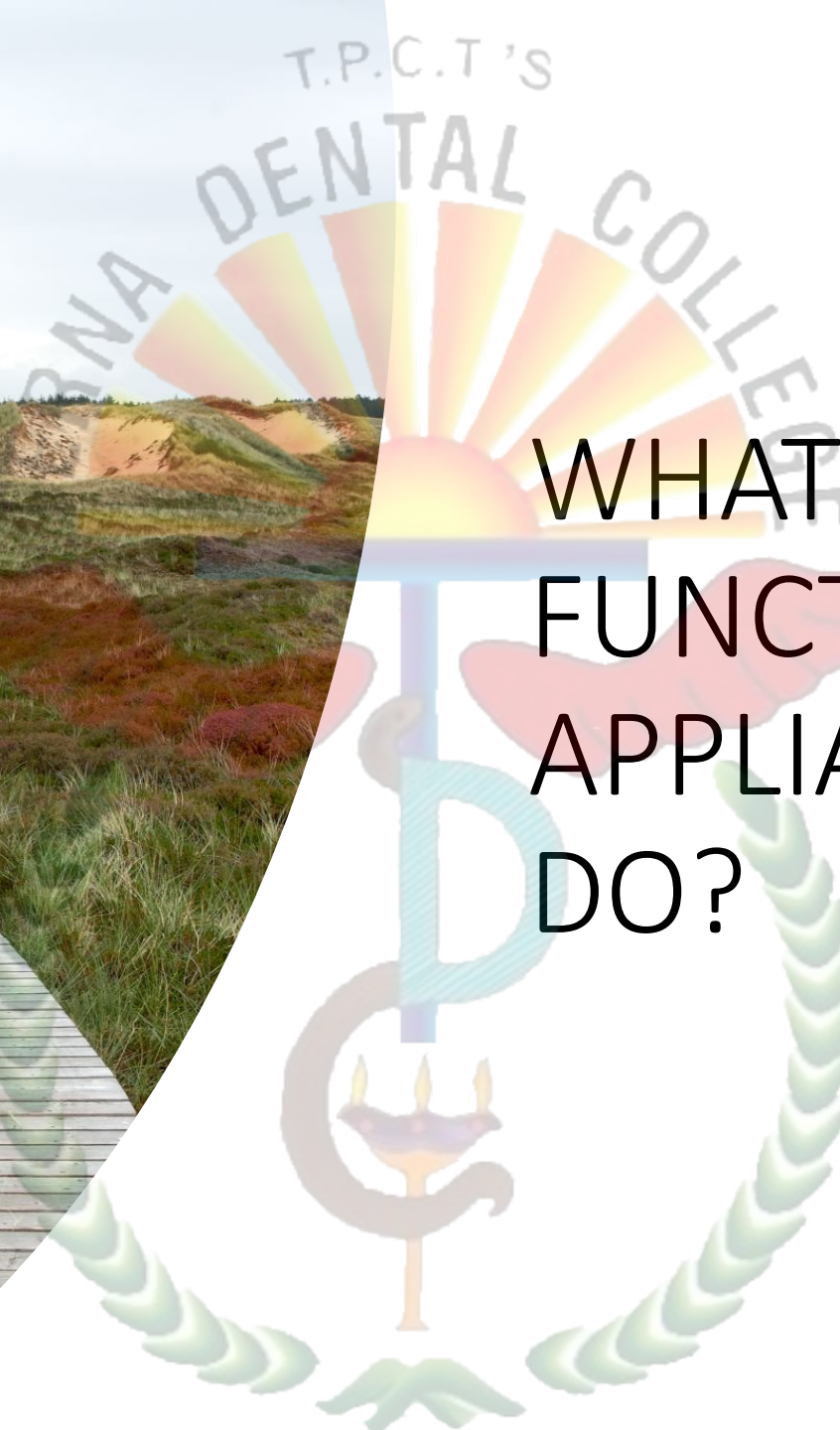




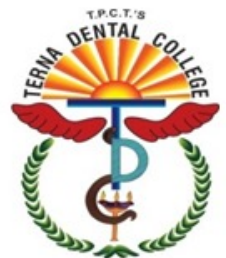
DEFINITION

- “Loose fitting or passive appliance which harness natural forces of the oro-facial musculature that are transmitted to the teeth and alveolar bone through the medium of the appliance.”





WHAT CAN FUNCTIONAL APPLIANCES DO?



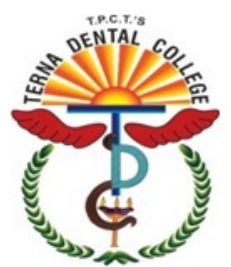
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THEORETICAL BASIS FOR THE APPLIANCE

NEW PATTERN OF FUNCTION



NEW MORPHOLOGIC
PATTERN



HISTORY

1879

Norman Kingsley-Forward positioning of mandible in orthodontics-Bite plane/Bite-jumping appliance(vulcanite).



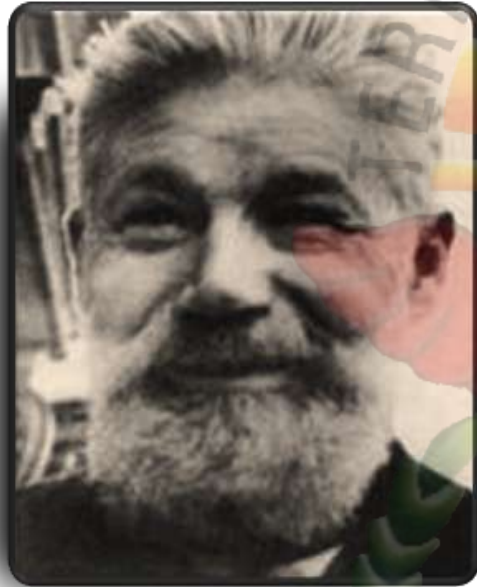
Wilhelm Roux-first to study the influences of natural forces and functional stimulation on form.

1883



1902-Pierre Robin-
first practitioner to
use functional jaw
orthopedics to treat
a malocclusion-
Monoblock in
children with
glossoptosis syndrome.

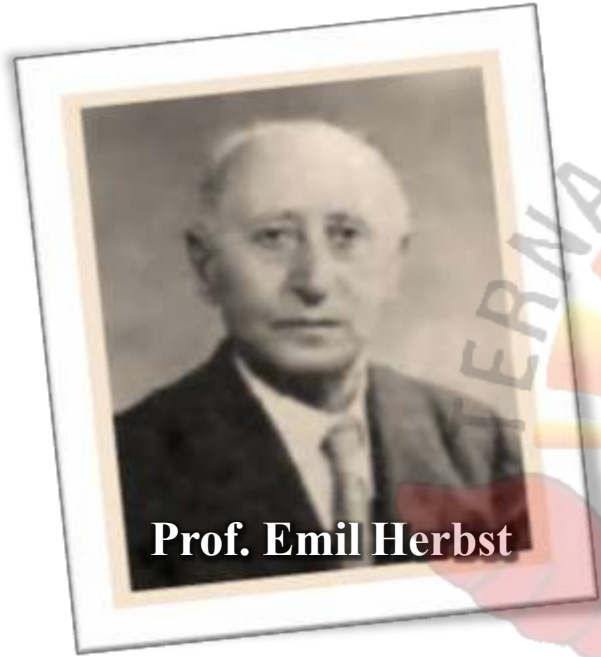




Viggo Andresen

- 1908-Viggo Andresen(Denmark) - modified bite jumping appliance- inspired from Benno Lisher's theory.





Prof. Emil Herbst

1909- Emil Herbst → Herbst appliance



The Original Herbst Appliance



- 1938-Karl Häupl(Germany)-saw the potential of Roux's hypothesis and explained how functional appliances work through the activity of the orofacial muscles.



Karl Häupl



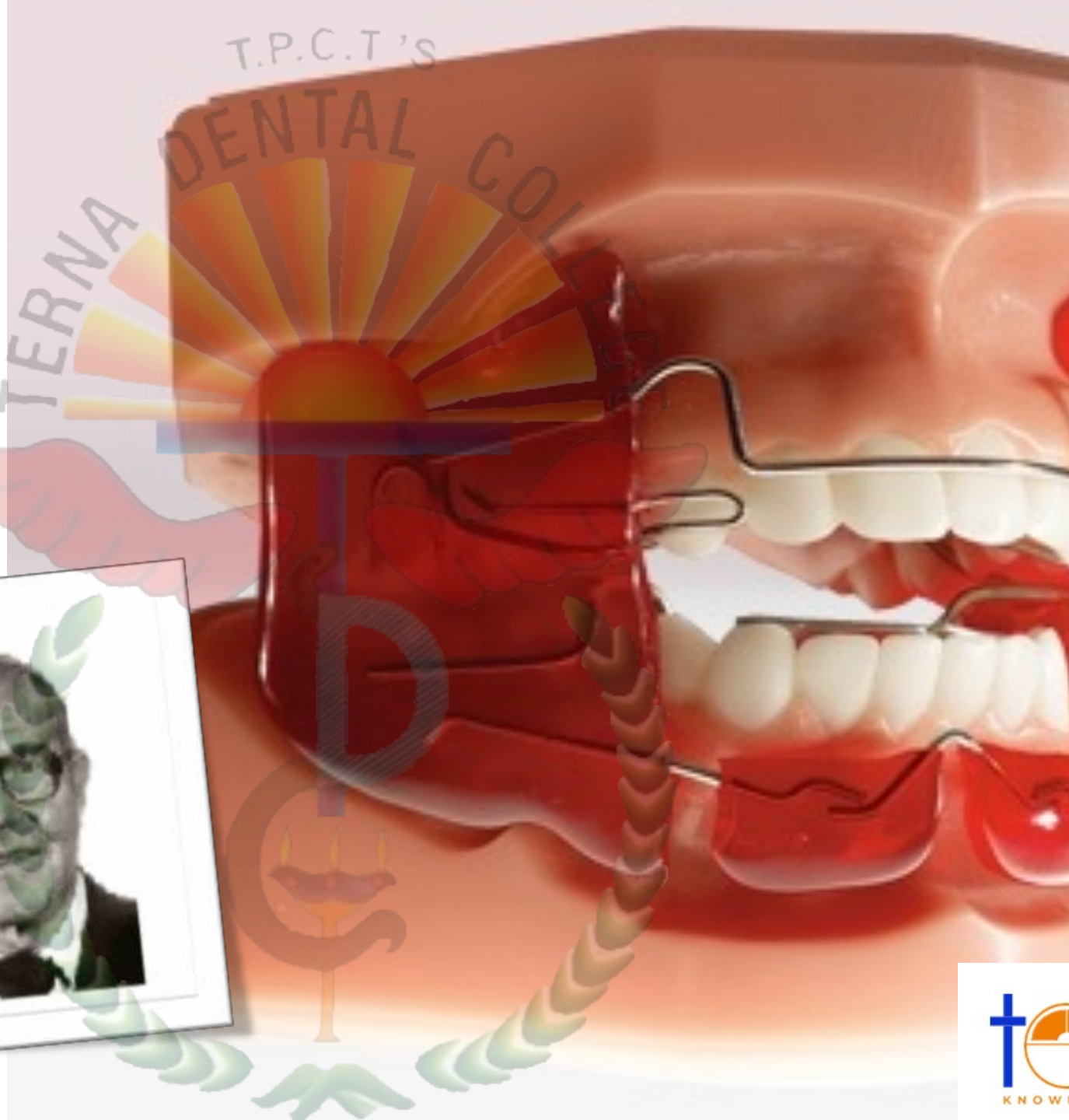
Prof.Dr.Wilhem Balters

- 1950-Wilhem Balters-Modified activator by reducing bulk from palate & substituted with a coffin spring → Bionator



Prof. Rolf Frankel

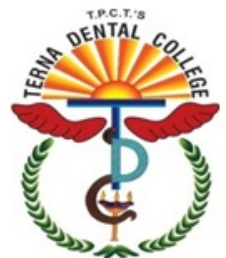
- 1957-Rolf Fränkel-Function Regulator.





Dr. William J. Clark

- 1977-Dr. William J. Clark's Twin Block



TREATMENT PRINCIPLES

- Depending on the type of force applied, 2 treatment principles can be differentiated:

- I. Force Application
- II. Force Elimination



force
application

2⁰ adaptation
in function.

compressive
stress & strain

1⁰ alteration in
form



force elimination

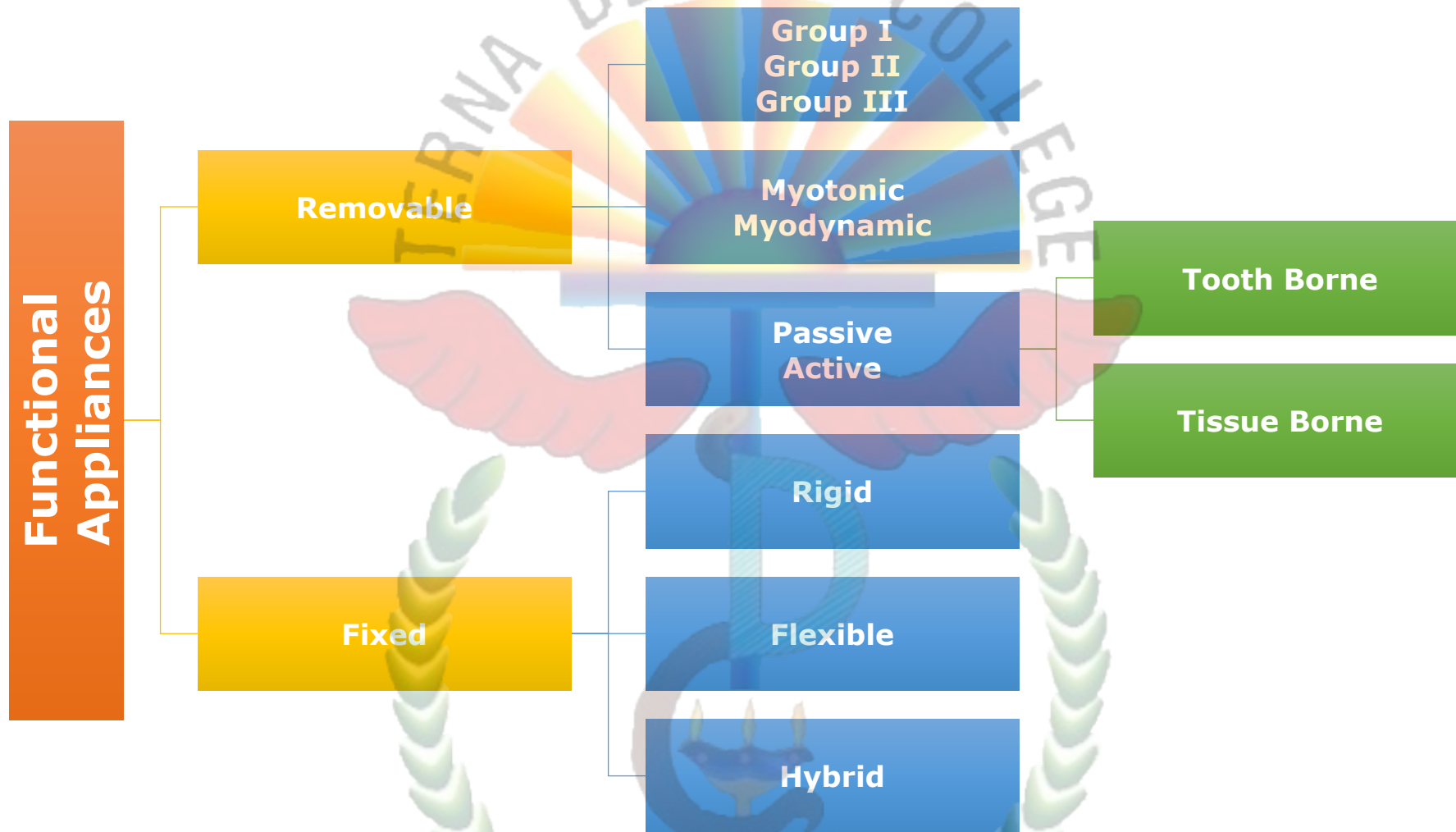
Function is rehabilitated & followed by 2^o adaptation in form.

abnormal & restrictive environmental influences are eliminated

optimal development



CLASSIFICATION



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A. REMOVABLE FUNCTIONAL APPLIANCES

Ex. Activator/Bionator/Frankel

B. FIXED FUNCTIONAL APPLIANCES

Ex. Jasper Jumper/Herbst appliance

C. SEMI-FIXED FUNCTIONAL APPLIANCES

Ex. Den holtz



GROUP A – teeth supported appliances

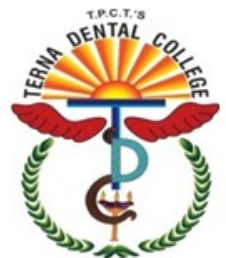
Ex. Inclined planes , Catlans

GROUP II – teeth or tissue supported appliances

Ex. Original activator & modifications

GROUP III – vestibular supported appliances with isolated support from teeth/tissue

Ex. Frankel Function Regulator , Oral-screen



I. MYOTONIC
Rely on muscle mass

II. MYODYNAMIC
Depend on muscle activity
Ex. **Bimler appliance**





PROFFIT'S CLASSIFICATION

- **I. TOOTH-BORNE PASSIVE APPLIANCES**
- No intrinsic force generating capacity (screws/springs)
- Soft-tissue stretch & muscular activity
- Ex. **Activator**
- **Bionator**
- **Twin Block**



II. TOOTH-BORNE ACTIVE APPLIANCES

Include expansion screws/springs to move teeth
Activator modifications bearing active components

Ex – **Expansion activator**

III. TISSUE-BORNE APPLIANCES:

Located in vestibule
Little or no contact with bone/teeth

Ex. **Function Regulator**



COMPONENTS
OF
FUNCTIONAL
APPLIANCE

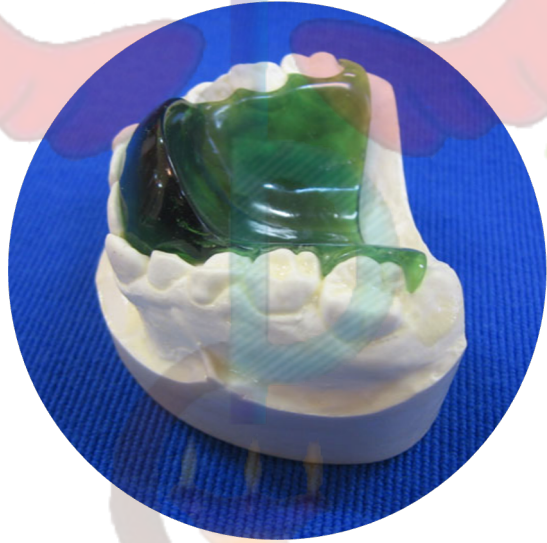
Assembly of
few simple
components

- Bite planes
- Shields or screens
- Construction or working bite

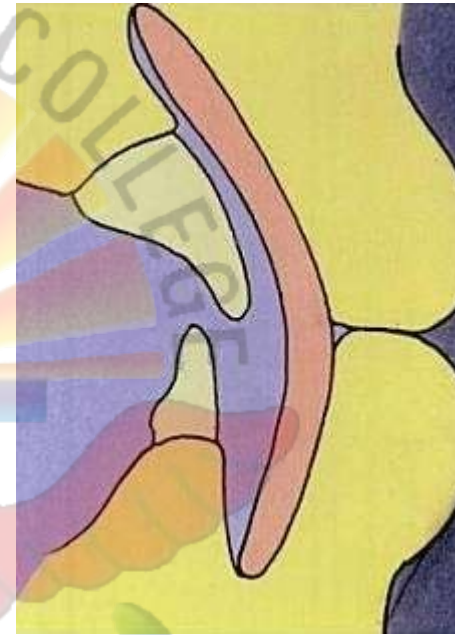
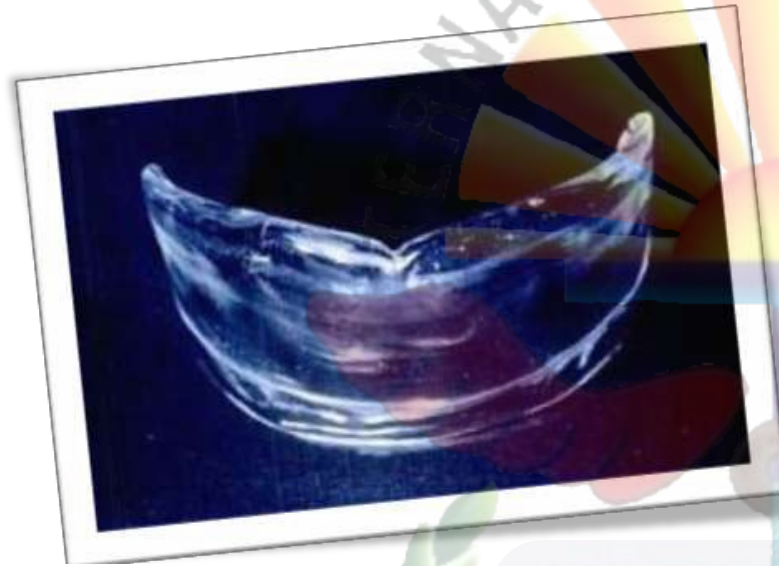


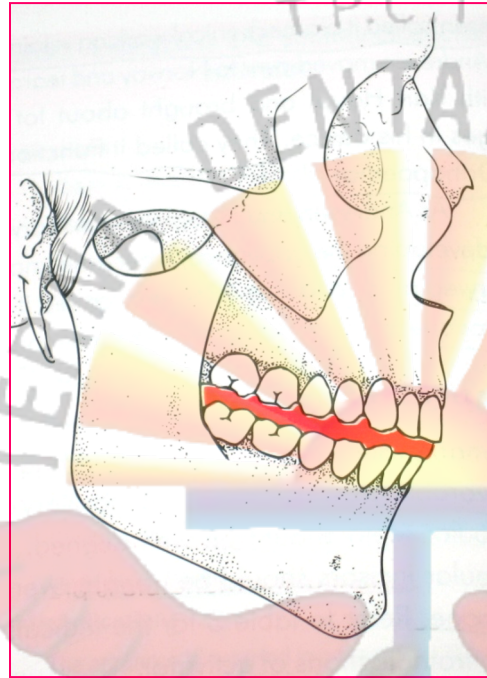
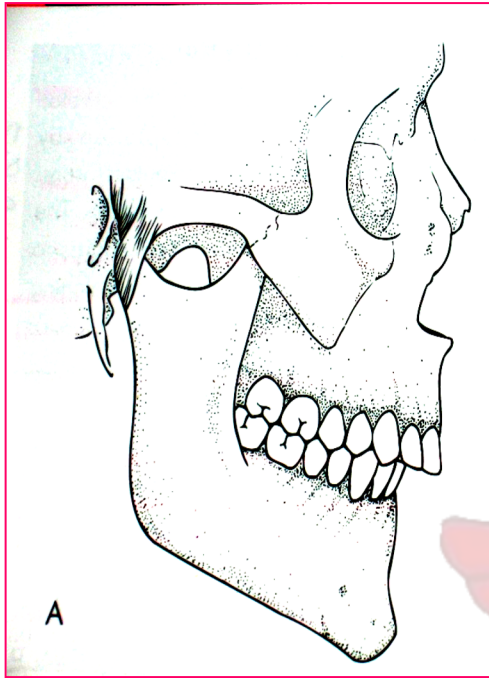


Bite planes



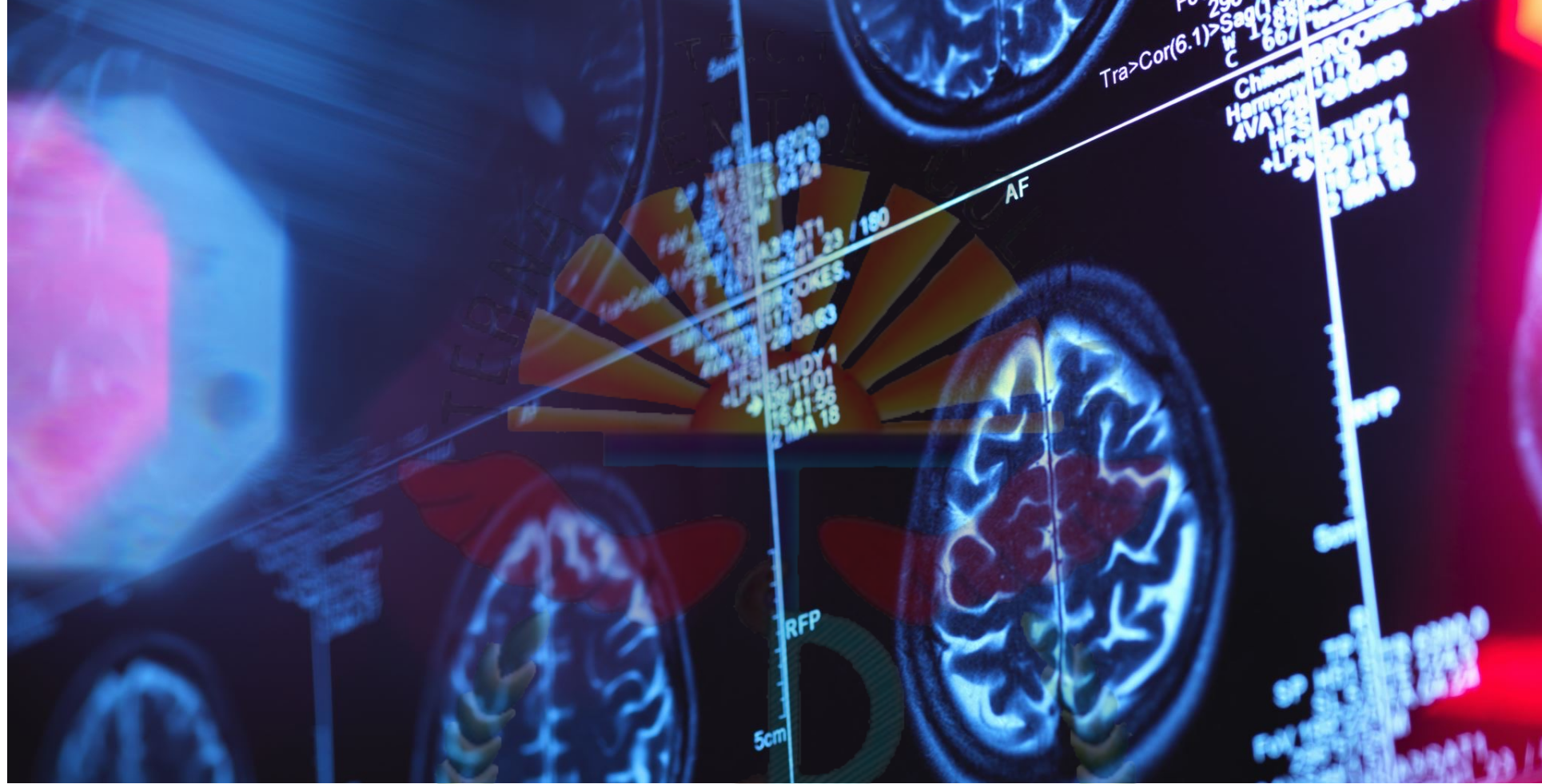
Shields or screens





Construction /
working bite





ACTION OF FUNCTIONAL APPLAINCES

- Functional appliances can bring about the following changes:
 - i. Orthopaedic Changes
 - ii. Dento-alveolar changes
 - iii. Muscular & Soft Tissuechanges



Capable of accelerating the growth in the condylar region.

Can bring about remodeling of the glenoid fossa.

Can change the direction of growth in jaws.

Can be designed to have a restrictive influence on the growth of jaws.

Orthopaedic Changes



Dento-alveolar changes

- Changes in sagittal, transverse & vertical directions.
- Sagittal plane - Retroclination of the upper incisors.
Proclination of the lower incisor.
- Transverse plane- Expansion by incorporating screws/ shielding
buccal muscles away from the arch
- Vertical plane- Selective eruption



Muscular & Soft Tissue changes

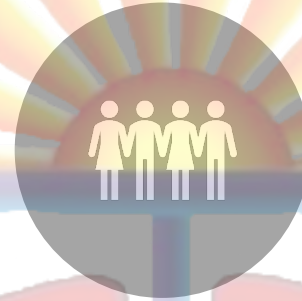
- improve the tonicity of the orofacial musculature.



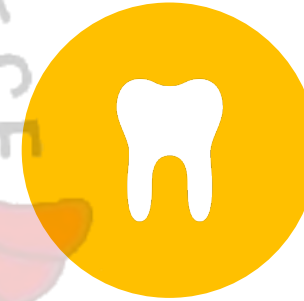
CASE SELECTION



Age: only in growing patient. Opt. Age for functional appliance therapy b/w 10 years & pubertal growth phase



Social considerations:



Dental considerations: ideal case one devoid of gross local irregularities



VISUAL TREATMENT OBJECTIVE

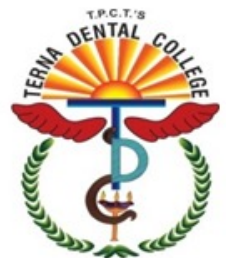
An imp. diagnostic test undertaken before making a decision to use a functional appliance.

Enables us to visualize how the patient's profile would be after FA therapy.

Performed by asking the patient to bring the mandible forward.

- An improvement in profile ---- positive indication.
- Profile worsens ---- negative ---- other R_x modalities considered.

Photographs taken with forward mandibular posture – patient motivation.





Advantages of functional appliances

**ELIMINATION OF
ABNORMAL MUSCLE
FUNCTION**

**TREATMENT CAN BE
INITIATED AT AN
EARLY AGE.**

**PSYCHOLOGICAL
DISTURBANCES CAN
BE AVOIDED.**

LESS CHAIR SIDE TIME





The **frequency** of the patient's visit to the orthodontist is less than in case of fixed or removable appliances.



They do not interfere with **oral hygiene maintenance**.



Most functional appliances are worn during the night. Thus **patient acceptance** is good.

Limitations Of Functional Appliances

They cannot be used in adult patients

They cannot be used to bring about individual tooth movement.

patient cooperation is essential for the success of the treatment.

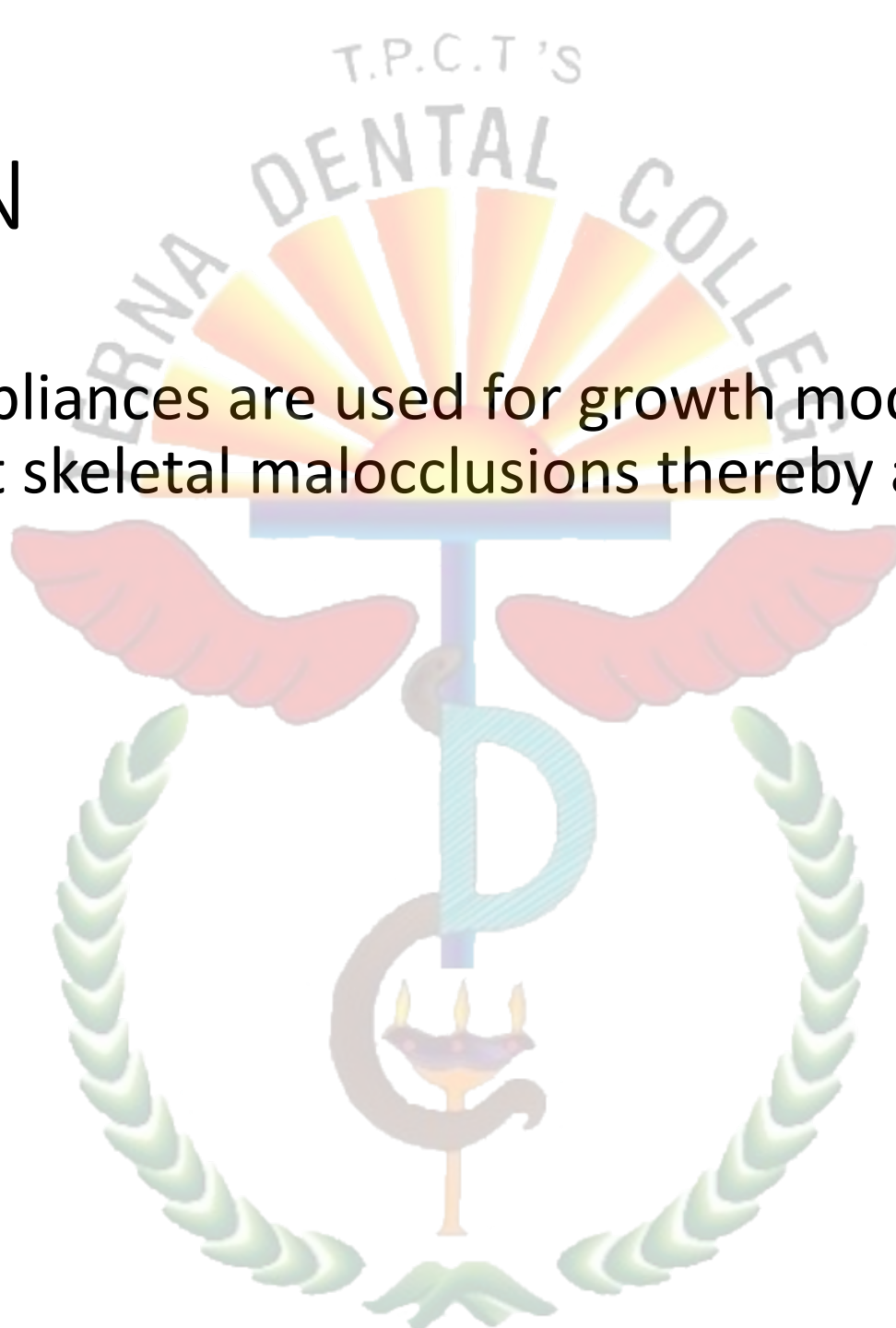
They may require pre-functional orthodontic tooth movement

Fixed appliance therapy may be required at the termination of treatment



CONCLUSION

- Myofunctional appliances are used for growth modulation in young children to correct skeletal malocclusions thereby avoiding its severe consequences.



TAKE HOME MESSAGE:

Diagnosis and treatment of skeletal malocclusion can be initiated at an early age by the use of myofunctional appliance.

Hence identification of malocclusion at an early age can prevent the possible consequences at a later age.



PROBABLE LAQS AND SAQS

SAQ:

1. DEFINITION AND CLASSIFICATION OF FUNCTIONAL APPLIANCE
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