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**Abstract**

**Title: Periodontal Plastic Surgery: Techniques in Soft Tissue Grafting**

In recent times, more and more patients are seen by the dentist for the management of progressive gingival recession. The days of creating keratinized gingiva for optimal tooth function without any concurrent root coverage are long gone. Today, the patients demand increased functionality with optimum esthetics. This has led to the development of various gum grafting techniques in the field of Periodontal Plastic Surgery. However, not all techniques are equally effective. Furthermore, each clinical situation requires a customized approach for ideal outcome. This can only truly be achieved by understanding the biological principles of soft tissue grafting, proper diagnosis, careful planning and precise surgical execution.

This lecture will help the dentist identify the various types of gingival recession, understand what a realistic outcome could be and how they can potentially use different soft tissue grafting techniques in the management of this ever-increasing dental problem.