

Advances In Prosthodontics™

New Findings & Best Practices for Cosmetic & Restorative Dentistry

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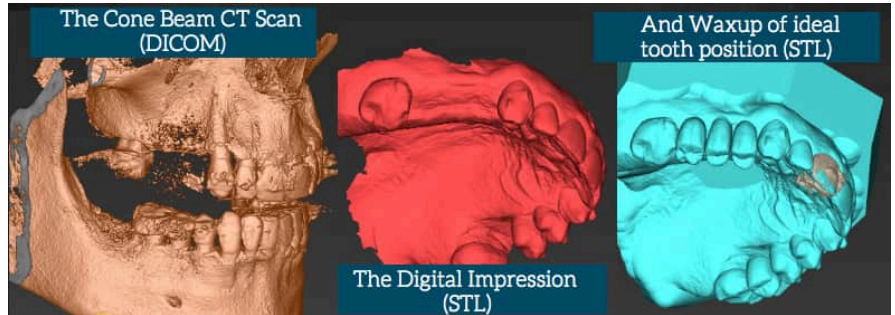
COMPLEX CASES:

If you have a patient with several missing, broken or severely worn teeth... or needing comprehensive care, they may be a candidate for oral rehabilitation with the assistance of an advanced Prosthodontist. Dr. Chao's specialized training & skills make these advanced treatments more successful...
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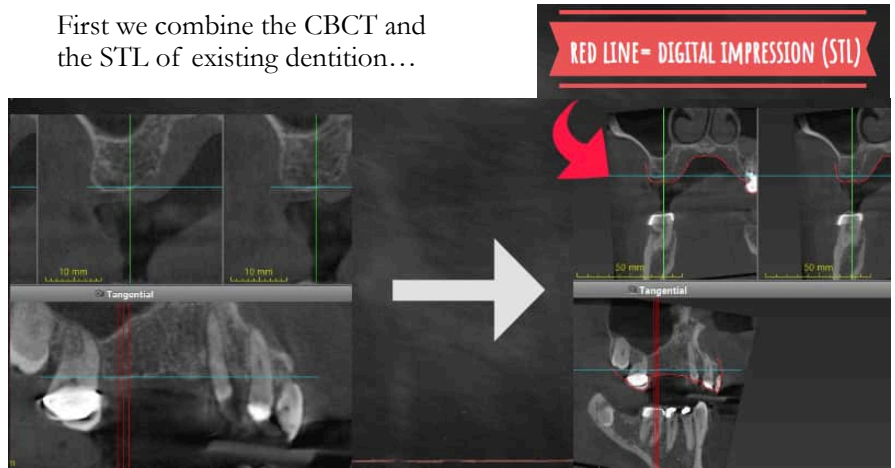
What's the Most Accurate Method To Plan Implant Placement?

A Triple Merge combines 3 data sets...



What it looks like...

First we combine the CBCT and the STL of existing dentition...



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◆ Do you want another opinion on a complex case? Or to meet and share ideas?

There are many ways we can help each other by working together on complex cases and by sharing knowledge and experience.

With your reputation for quality dental care, and my experience with restorative treatments, we can work together on advanced cases and both benefit!

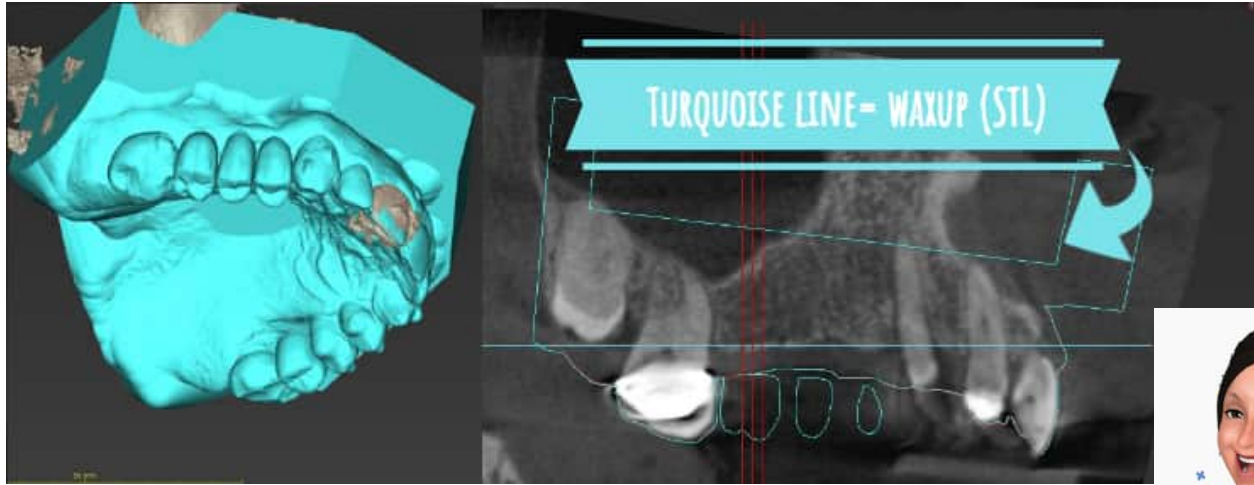
If you'd like to meet to discuss a treatment, or talk on the phone about how we can help each other, please call or email my office with specific days and times when you're available to talk or meet.

The Powerful Triple Merge

by Dr. Maggie Chao, Prosthodontist

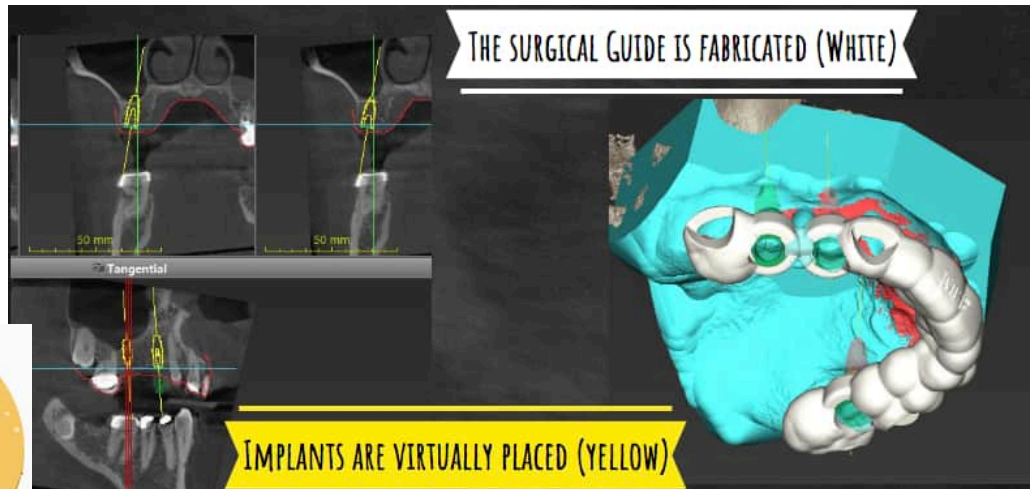
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After combining the CBCT and the STL, do a waxup (digital or analog) and superimpose that information too!



Now what do we do with this information?

- PLAN our implant placement and create a surgical guide with the ideal position relative to our future tooth position and occlusion.
- We can order our implant parts accurately.
- And enjoy more predictable results!



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◆ Do you have a patient needing comprehensive care?

If you have a question about a case and want another opinion, give my office a call. Or, if there's a case that you want to work together on, please fill out and send in the enclosed referral form.

My office and I will take great care of your patient and keep you informed. Dental professionals refer to me as **The Complex Case Specialist™** because I perform complex cases every day.

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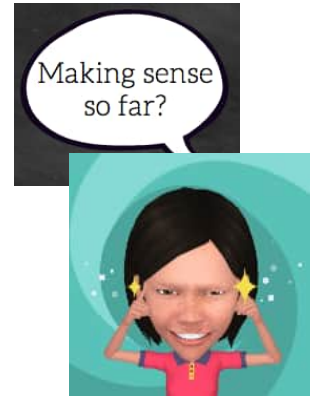
3 ways to start with a well fitting denture...

1 Hard Reline your denture

2 Reline with Radioopaque PVS

3 Use a Digital Denture

Photo Credit: Dr. Michael Sherer



Add Fiducial (not fiduciary) markers...

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Add Stickers and take a CBCT of patient wearing the denture AND separate CBCT of denture only

Or use a 3D Printed Denture with Zr markers

Printed In Office, Denture designed using Stoneglass PDC Software, Implant Plan with CoDiagnostix, and Printed with Formlab Form 2 Printer,

Take the CBCT with the denture.

Don't worry, we will do this for you!

Precision planning takes a small village (including GP, Prosthodontist, Periodontist, Radiology Specialist, Implant Rep and Lab Tech)... but together we've got this! As a prosthodontist, I have experience planning treatments that coordinate with a patient's general dentist and other specialists. If you have a case you'd like to discuss, please call or email me directly at: drchao@pleasantonpros.com

Watch this report at: AdvancedProsthodontist.com/TripleMergeVideo

◆ How can a Certified Prosthodontist assist you and your dental team?

I specialize in the treatment of complex cases, usually involving several procedures over months of care. The next time you see a challenging case, please feel free to call me and we can discuss treatment planning or help you with any part of the treatment. My goal is to be a resource for your office by helping manage difficult and time-consuming procedures, restoring the function and esthetics that each patient desires, then referring them back to your office for their ongoing care.

Dr. Maggie T. Chao

DMD, Prosthodontist ♦ The Complex Case Specialist™



Dr. Maggie Chao works with dental professionals near the Pleasanton and Walnut Creek areas to restore the smiles and confidence of patients facing a difficult diagnosis.

About Pleasanton Prosthodontics:

Pleasanton Prosthodontics is a specialty practice limited to fixed and removable prostheses, dental implants, and all phases of esthetic dentistry. Dr. Chao's prosthodontic training and private practice experience make treatments of complex cases more successful, including the following examples:

- Patients with ill-fitting dentures, severely worn or damaged teeth can receive a single dental implant or a full arch of natural-looking teeth.
- Patients who have suffered from traumatic injury, congenitally missing teeth, or a chronic condition can receive oral prostheses, which may be a combination of dental implants, crowns, bridges, or veneers.
- Patients with severe neglect of their oral health can receive a full reconstruction to restore function & esthetics.

Personal Message To Fellow Dental Practitioners:

“As the referring dentist, you know your patient's mouth and have key insight into your patient's needs. I want to work with you to provide your patients with the best possible treatment outcomes. I will treat your patient in a manner that will reflect well on you and strengthen your relationship with your patient. I am here to make you look good! When your patient's care is completed, they are referred back to your office for their ongoing dental care. I am grateful for your collegueship and trust with your patients!”

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When your patient is referred:

- ✓ I will only treat what's been referred.
- ✓ I will send you updates.
- ✓ I will be part of your team, not take over your patients.

◆ Why other dental professionals work with a Certified Prosthodontist

Prosthodontists are specialists in implant, esthetic, and reconstructive dentistry.

1. You have a patient requiring treatment outside your typical scope of practice.

Examples include patients with vertical dimension discrepancies, severely resorbed ridges, inadequate interarch space, severe bruxism, traumatic tooth loss, or congenital abnormalities.

2. You have a patient with complex needs that may drain your time.

If your patient may require treatment from several specialists, Prosthodontists can help because they are trained to appropriately stage and manage complex treatment plans.

3. You have a demanding patient who wants perfect esthetics.

Examples include patients with a high smile line or needing a single tooth replacement in the esthetic zone. A Prosthodontist is trained in selecting the best solutions for high-demand patients.

4. You have a question and want to discuss a case with a colleague to ease your mind.

A Prosthodontist can be an excellent resource for you to ask questions because they are trained in many types of complicated treatments. For example, you may want to consult or refer to a Prosthodontist for complex implant-supported restorations. A Prosthodontist can work with you or complete the treatment for you to achieve the best in both function and esthetics.