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Customized Periodontal Probe for Measuring Pressure Changes During Peri Implant Displacement: A Novel Design

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ABSTRACT

AIM:There is no simple instrument to measure pressure changes during peri implant displacement. A customized periodontal probe was designed to evaluate the pressure changes aroundperi-implant tissue.

MATERIALS AND METHODS: A Flex sensor measures the amount of bend or deflection by varying its resistance. A voltage divider circuit is used to capture these variations by having a reference resistor fixed at $10k\Omega$ and is connected to the 5V supply provided by Arduino. The data obtained due to deflection in the sensor is calibrated in terms of Force from a value of 0.1N to 10N and is displayed on the monitor.

RESULTS: The amount of pressure around the peri implant sulcus during peri implant displacement procedure was displayed on the monitor.

CONCLUSION: A novel design that is simple, cost efficient and a diagnostic tool for measuring the peri implant tissue pressure changes.

CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE: A convenient diagnostic tool to measure peri implant tissue pressure changes.

Keywords: implant, pressure, peri implant tissue

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