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## Use of Turmeric in Dental Problems

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### ABSTRACT:

Various conventional drug therapies are available for different dental diseases, but the major drawback is the side effects associated with their use. This has directed to renewed interest in the detection of novel anti-infective natural compounds derived from plants. The goal of this article is to review the efficiency of turmeric herb in maintenance of oral health, and overall health, in general. Turmeric has been recognized a number of medicinal properties in the traditional system of medicine. Turmeric, a rhizome of *Curcuma longa*, is a herb recognized for its medicinal properties and is a more satisfactory. It has been proved to have anti-inflammatory, antioxidant, antimicrobial, hepatoprotective, immunostimulant, antiseptic, and anti-mutagenic properties. Due to these properties, it is reasonably useful in dentistry also. It shown significant effect in the treatment of periodontal diseases and oral cancers. It can also be used as a component in local drug delivery system in gel form.

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