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# Effect of Continuous Echo-Planer Imaging Pulse (Epi) on Residual Monomer and Color Stability of Self-Cure Acrylic Resin

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#### Abstract

Research deals with effect of energy levels and transition of this energy in between (T1) and (T2) energy level called "energy gap". And the effects of this gap, on residual monomer and color stability of self-cure acrylic resin.

#### Introduction

#### "Self" or "Cold" Cure Acrylic Resin

Self-cure acrylic resin present in powder and liquid and these materials are called "temporally denture base material" the polymer is basic component of powder in a small sphere called beads or pearls and it contain a preside present in an amount of 1% and decomposed by chemicals and polymerization process happened.

Self-cure acrylic resin is the most widely used denture base materials since it is simple and low cost f processing. Their flexibility is still acceptable since the work is for temporally materials and it is strength is adequate beside its high water sorption with low water solubility make good dimension stability compare with other materials used for same purpose, and it is color stability and tissues compatibility usually good with no taste or odor [1].

The electrical properties of self-cure acrylic resin can be sharply affected by the absorption of humidity, it is resistance to arcing is excellent, and since PMMA is electrostatic which can spoil it's appearance (attraction of dust), this drawback can be corrected by using of ant-static product's [2].

## "T1", "T2" Relaxations and energy groups

"T1" or longitudinal or "spin-lattice relaxation "time refer to events happened from start of magnetization until it reach equilibrium, and the nuclei during "T1" give-up the energy gained from the transmitted radio-frequency pulse to returnee to equilibrium and the hydrogen-nuclei are bond with other atoms to form a molecule. So, this arrangement called "lattice" [3].

"T2" or "transverse relaxation" time is refer to decreasing value of magnetization and loss of magnetization, thus the nuclei continuous to loss their energy to another nuclei and the energy transfer from one spin to another so energy-gap happened [4].

### **Echo-planer Imaging and Energy-gap**

Echo-planer imaging (EPI) represent on area of pulse sequence changes, and by these changes in pulse sequence an energy gap possible to be created [5].

So, the fastest sequence produced as little as "50" mili-scord, and (EPI) will show excitation pulse at every 90° RF., a radio-frequency refocusing of sequence will happen and during this refocusing a transition process of energy will happen since hydrogen has only single electron and single proton and high possibility of free induction energy happen [6].

# **Color Evaluation and Residual Monomer of the Test Self-Cure Acrylic**

Self-cure acrylic resin and acrylic generally is well-known for its exceptional optical properties since it is UN crystallized polymer with a remarkable transparency (92% light transmission) in the visible range from 380 to 780  $\mu$ m. [7].

The angle of total light reflection an inner-surface is to be 41 to 42° which allow to be used for making light "conductors" and "fiber-optic filament" and it is refraction index for (= 587.6 nm. helium) is to be 1.497 which makes it a material suitable for optic product [8].

Residual monomer represents a degree of deformation and its existence is an indication to the altering of physical and mechanical properties of acrylic resin [9].

Degree of residual monomer released can be further improved by following a period of immersion in a hot water, so free-radicals exist in the polymerization acrylic released out for acrylic [10].

Residual monomer concentration varies with the methods and the condition of polymerization and the variation in the chemical composition and purity of the commercially available resin systems [7].

(EPI) energy cause effects in the monomer, which may alter in some properties of the acrylic resin so, the same amount of energy is absorbed by less and less monomer making the molecules actively work [11].

#### **Goals of Research**

One on most important goals of the research is to estimate and

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evaluate the effects of (EPI) on energy self-cure monomer, and studies these effects on the residual monomer and color stability degree.

#### **Experiment Design**

The samples of self-cure acrylic resin made a ADA specification for acrylic resin color stability test, and these samples will e recheck checked for residual monomer test.

Samples, placed inside (MRI) machine, but this time it will not exposed to (MRI) wave, but to energy gap. To design experiment, so that are energy pass for "T1" to "T2", samples will expose to (EPI) resulted from energy-gap happened and after that samples will removed from device and sub-mitted to multiple-test to study and evaluate results.



Figure 1: show samples preparation and flasking

#### Result

The results below were done by the use of statistical analysis "student– test" to compare between two main sample groups:

- Control samples "unexposed to EPI energy wave".
- Exposed samples "samples submitted to EPI energy wave".

# The results shown in the following tables Color stability test results

Two Sample T-Test and Confidence Interval

Table 1: Two sample T- test for control samples vs exposed samples

|  | N | Mean   | StDev | SE Mean |  |  |
|--|---|--------|-------|---------|--|--|
| control  | 6 | 220.50 | 1.05  | 0.43    |  |  |
| expose 1   | 6 | 211.17 | 1.17  | 0.48    |  |  |
| 95% CI for mu control - mu expose 1: (7.88, 10.78)                   |   |        |       |         |  |  |
| T-Test mu control = mu expose 1 (vs. not =): T= 14.56 P=0.0000 DF= 9 |   |        |       |         |  |  |

#### **Residual Monomer test results**

Two Sample T-Test and Confidence Interval

Table 2: Two sample T – test for control samples vs exposed samples

|  | N | Mean      | StDev     | SE Mean  |  |  |
|--|---|-----------|-----------|----------|--|--|
| control  | 6 | 0.0021167 | 0.0000753 | 0.000031 |  |  |
| expose 1   | 6 | 0.02283   | 0.00117   | 0.00048  |  |  |
| 95% CI for mu control - mu expose 2: ( -0.021946, -0.01949)                |   |           |           |          |  |  |
| T-Test mu control = mu expose 2 (vs not =): $T = -43.32 P = 0.0000 DF = 5$ |   |           |           |          |  |  |

#### **Discussion**

#### **Residual Monomer Results of Control and Tested Sample**

Results founds for control samples of self-cured acrylic resin shown a release-rate of un-reacted monomer, this accepted since it is one of disadvantage of the material and it can alter-a number of its properties.

Results found for samples exposed to (EPI) energy released in between "T1" and "T2" energy transition changes is agree to some degree with finding of [6,12]. since a higher rate of release is happened in exposed sample compare with that for control, this explain by "T1" Time is an basic parameter for degree of proton change since "EPI" mainly affect monomer more than powder of the polymer, so the absorbed energy by monomer will faster the released un-reacted monomer and falsify the value of "T1' relaxation time as found when (aluminum silicon glass) tested or other vitremer material which have the same degree of hydrogen atoms in chemical composition when treated in the same experiment environments [13].

#### **Color Stability Results for Control and Tested Samples**

Results found for control pink samples tested for color stability is totally agreed with [14]. Who found that composition of acrylic(chemical composition) contain mercuric sulfide and other pigment, which can arrange itself in special form and inter-act with light pass through it, resulted in absorption, transmission, scatter wave.

Results found for (EPI) energy-gap exposed acrylic samples shown reduce in the amount of light transmitted and higher rate of absorption and this can agree with finding of who found that physical and mechanical properties of materials are largely dependent on the configuration of their structural build- up, and agree to some degree with finding of [15,16].

#### Conclusion

The experimental work done in this study makes the use of Echoplanner Imaging pulse (EPI) energy an essential component of analyses, and for many physical, and mechanical and bio-medical aspects.

The results obtain for "residual monomer "and "color stability" of self-cured acrylic resin can lead to more studies on material under different condition and increasing the ability to obtain images of molecule or sub-molecular environments using this methods to enhance correlations of composition with mechanical properties to ultimate the goal of optimization materials properties.

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