

A study on Malocclusion

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Description

In orthodontics, a malocclusion is a misalignment or erroneous connection between the teeth of the upper and lower dental curves when they approach each other as the jaws close.

If this molar relationship exists, then the teeth can align into normal occlusion. According to Angle, malocclusion is any deviation of the occlusion from the ideal. However, assessment for malocclusion should also take into account aesthetics and the impact on functionality. If these aspects are acceptable to the patient despite meeting the formal definition of malocclusion, then treatment may not be necessary.

Hereditary (legacy) factors, additional teeth, lost teeth, affected teeth, or strangely molded teeth have been referred to as reasons for crowding. Sick fitting dental fillings, crowns, apparatuses, retainers, or supports just as misalignment of jaw cracks after a serious physical issue are likewise known to causes crowding [1]. Growths of the