

**OPTIMIZATION OF THE TREATMENT OF PERIODONTAL AND HARD
DENTAL TISSUE DISEASES IN PATIENTS WITH IODINE DEFICIENCY**

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Abstract

This article discusses the clinical course of periodontal and hard dental tissue diseases in patients with iodine deficiency and issues related to optimizing their treatment. The results of the study show that under conditions of iodine deficiency, diseases of the oral cavity have a more severe course, and a comprehensive, pathogenetically based approach significantly increases the effectiveness of treatment.

Keywords: iodine deficiency, periodontal diseases, caries, remineralization, complex treatment.

Iodine deficiency is one of the most widespread global health problems and negatively affects the entire body through thyroid dysfunction. Iodine deficiency disrupts metabolism, immune system function, and tissue regeneration processes. This condition creates a basis for the development of pathological processes in the oral cavity, especially in periodontal tissues and hard dental tissues.

Therefore, the development of effective and optimized methods for the treatment of dental diseases in patients with iodine deficiency is considered highly relevant.

1. Relevance of the Problem

Iodine deficiency leads to thyroid dysfunction, causing disturbances in metabolic processes, immune response, and regenerative capacity. This condition is manifested in the oral cavity, particularly in periodontal and hard dental tissues, by rapid disease progression and a severe clinical course.

Iodine deficiency, accompanied by thyroid dysfunction, negatively affects metabolism, immunity, and bone-tissue regeneration. From a dental perspective, it is associated with:

- early onset and severe course of periodontal diseases;
- dental caries and enamel hypoplasia;
- impaired dentin mineralization;
- chronic inflammatory processes in the oral cavity.

2. The Effect of Iodine Deficiency on Periodontal and Hard Dental Tissues

2.1. In periodontal tissues:

- impairment of microcirculation;
- decreased collagen synthesis;
- increased production of inflammatory mediators;
- deepening of periodontal pockets.

2.2. In hard dental tissues:

- demineralization of enamel and dentin;
- reduced resistance to caries;
- increased tooth sensitivity.

3. Ways to Optimize Treatment

3.1. Comprehensive approach (basic principle)

Treatment should not be limited to local dental procedures only, but should be carried out with consideration of the patient's endocrine status. Management should be conducted in

cooperation between a dentist and an endocrinologist. Correction of the underlying condition—iodine deficiency—significantly improves the effectiveness of dental treatment.

3.2. Diagnostic stage

- periodontal indices (PMA, CPI, OHI);
- assessment of the condition of hard dental tissues;
- general medical history (presence of iodine deficiency);
- consultation with an endocrinologist when necessary.

3.3. Treatment of periodontal diseases

Local measures:

- professional oral hygiene (scaling and root planing);
- antiseptic and anti-inflammatory agents;
- gels and pastes that stimulate regeneration;
- agents enhancing local immunity;
- physiotherapeutic procedures (according to indications).

Systemic measures:

- strengthening of the immune system;
- antioxidant therapy;
- vitamin and mineral complexes (with consideration of iodine balance).

3.4. Treatment of hard dental tissues

- remineralization therapy;
- fluoride and calcium-phosphate preparations;
- non-invasive treatment of early-stage caries;
- preventive procedures to strengthen enamel;
- use of bioinert and tissue-compatible restorative materials.

4. Prevention and Follow-up

- individualized oral hygiene programs;
- inclusion of iodine-rich foods in the diet (according to physician recommendations);
- dental check-ups every 3–6 months;
- prevention of recurrence of periodontal diseases;
- consumption of iodine-rich foods and iodized salt;
- correct selection of individual oral hygiene products;
- regular dental monitoring.

5. Conclusion

Optimization of the treatment of periodontal and hard dental tissue diseases in patients with iodine deficiency should be based on:

- a comprehensive approach;
- interdisciplinary cooperation;
- an individualized treatment strategy.

This approach reduces disease severity, improves treatment effectiveness, and ensures long-term remission.

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