



Dr. Brian Hornberger  
*presents*

# Case of the Month

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*Before*



This patient was experiencing painful symptoms to tooth #19 due to a necrotic pulp. The tooth was of strategic importance due to the fact that it was the patient's last remaining molar. The patient presented to our office wanting to get the best possible endodontic result to preserve the tooth.

*After*



Root canal preparations can be adequately sealed without over-enlarging the canal space when warm, thermo-compactive gutta-percha techniques are used. Excessive dentin removal with gates-glidden burs can weaken teeth and make them more vulnerable to vertical fractures. Note the slender preparations and the lateral canal sealed with this technique at the mid-mesial root.



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