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2009 annual meeting to serve as testing ground for new treatments

The Academy of Osseointegration's 2009 Annual Meeting will offer attendees an intensive three-day scientific program that taps the expertise of renowned international speakers and serves as a testing ground for a range of new implant therapy technologies. It will take place Thursday, Feb. 26 through Saturday, Feb. 28, at the San Diego Convention Center.

The meeting's theme, "A New Wave in Implant Therapy," reflects the program committee's goal of presenting a world-class program that offers new evidence for contemporary treatment, Program Chair...

The Ankylos-SynCone Overdenture System: the biology, diagnosis and treatment

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The SynCone Over Denture System is one restorative implant-supported removable option within the Ankylos Dental Implant System. The SynCone Over Denture System refers to the unique abutment-retainer design (Figs. 1, 1a).

SynCone has been developed for mandibular dentures with acceptable esthetics, phonetics and vertical dimension to be relined immediately and loaded at implant placement.1,4,5,6

However, a delayed approach can be utilized if needed and SynCone can be utilized on the maxillary arch as well.

The protocol utilizes four implants inserted between the mental foreman. The technique is cost-effective and can be completed in a single visit. This is extremely advan...

Fig. 1: Syncone abutments.