

Interview

A concept for clean teeth

Dr. Ulrike Webersberger uses EMS Guided Biofilm Therapy (GBT) in her practice near Salzburg. She was interviewed by dental JOURNAL.

fter studying dentistry at Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf, and working as an assistant dentist, Dr. Webersberger moved to the Innsbruck University Hospital in 2003. There she specialized in dentures and tooth preservation and received her postdoctoral lecturing qualification in 2013. After nearly 20 years she moved to the University Hospital for Oral, Orthodontic and Maxillofacial Surgery in Salzburg in 2019, and four years later she opened her own practice in the Salzburg lake region. The practice has four treatment units, two of which are used primarily for prevention treatment, which Dr. Webersberger offers with another dentist, a dental technician and five other employees.

What are your special fields?

My special fields are modern prevention as well as high-quality prosthetic and implant restorations.

What is the philosophy on which your work in your practice is based?

The decision for a sustainable treatment concept is useless if not accompanied by a prevention concept, and I also want to get away from repair dentistry. My objective is also to make people more aware of how dentists and general practitioners can work together to improve the health of their patients by paying more attention to synergies between periodontology and general practice.

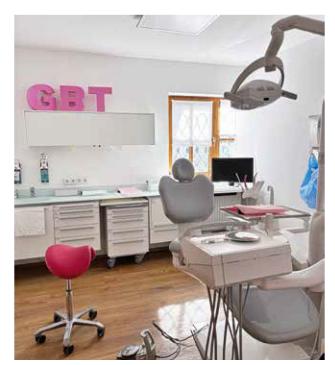
How did you find out about EMS and also Guided Biofilm Therapy (GBT)?

I was looking for a structured and quality-assured treatment concept that would also simplify the organization, the process and the quality management. In short, a concept for cleaner teeth.

And how does this work?

We start the GBT eight-step process with an assessment of the oral hygiene, we discuss with the patient the potential for optimization of home tooth care using the discoloration of the biofilm, and we remove biofilm, discoloration and calculus completely and gently.

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And what have you found convincing about the GBT concept?

The clearly specified steps and their sequence, which ensure that we can deliver optimal dental health for our patients. GBT also makes prevention comparable for patients, regardless of who treated them. I find the application of this quality standard particularly important in my practice with three assistants delivering prevention treatment.

For how long has your practice been GBT-certified?

We have been using Guided Biofilm Therapy since we opened our practice at the end of 2022.

What did you have to do for it?

The certification was awarded after on-site training on the systems, delivered by an experienced trainer from the Swiss Dental Academy (SDA), the EMS continuing education institution.

How long before you and your team were able to apply GBT?

My experienced employees became familiar with the basics very quickly. Of course, we are always encountering situations in which the basic concept needs to be supplemented.

What are the advantages of GBT for your practice?

This unified process means that we can offer all our patients the same great benefits and at the same time establish unified work processes and consistent standards in our practice. GBT also enables standardized communication with our patients and a consistent level of continuing education for all practitioners.



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Modern prevention and high-quality prosthetic and implant restorations are the central areas of competence of Dr. Ulrike Webersberger.

How do your patients respond to GBT?

Positive in all aspects! Ultimately, the objective of this process is to deliver regular prevention treatment to educate patients in how they can be experts with their own dental care, and to ensure that they are able to make their own contribution to their dental health every day. The visualization offered by GBT does this very well.

What have been the business advantages of GBT for your practice?

Painless removal of biofilm establishes trust and ensures that patients attend their follow-up appointments. As a result, we have fewer canceled and rescheduled appointments, because patients remain motivated.

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WHAT IS GBT?

Guided Biofilm Therapy offers a systematic solution for biofilm management in the context of professional prevention using the AIRFLOW®, PERIOFLOW®



and PIEZON® technologies developed by EMS. Guided Biofilm Therapy consists of eight consecutive treatment steps based on the patient's individual diagnosis and risk assessment to achieve optimal results for the benefit of the patient. The treatment is implemented in the least invasive manner while simultaneously ensuring maximum comfort, safety and efficiency.