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“Many roads lead to Rome”

Due to the fact that the Roman Empire’s excellent road system radiated from the capital like the spokes of a wheel, the metaphor “all roads lead to Rome” was already being used in the 1100s. Applying this metaphor to dentistry, there are many different routes we can take when treating our patients. But do they all lead to the same result? The answer to this question is surely no. Too many variables have an impact on our treatment planning, and on the treatment itself. In this context, it’s interesting to follow discussions at conferences and in the dental literature. Many speakers and authors are convinced that their way is

the only and right way, and that the others are wrong. This “eminence-based thinking” is very popular and sometimes hard to overcome.

In this issue, we show you different treatment concepts and treatment outcomes. There’s no “wrong” or “right”, but definitely some room for discussion. Promoting discussion is also a part of the concept of *The International Journal of Esthetic Dentistry*.

Enjoy reading.

Sincerely yours,
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