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Novel Biomaterials in Interceptive Orthodontics

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Malocclusion is one of the most common oral diseases reported by the World Health Organization (WHO), affecting millions of children and adolescents and potentially leading to severe disturbances in dental and maxillofacial function, facial appearance, and growth. It has been extensively proven that severe malocclusions can affect psychological domains in young patients and influence social relationships with peers. Early treatment of malocclusion can create a good dental and maxillofacial relationship, addressing normal development from the very early stages of maxillofacial growth, thus reducing or even completely eliminating the future need for further orthodontic interventions. In addition, early orthodontic treatments lead to better and more stable results than those achieved with delayed treatments. However, preventive and interceptive orthodontics are still significant challenges, even for experienced orthodontists. Nonetheless, great research advancements in the field of biomaterials and three-dimensional technologies continuously provide clinicians with novel diagnostic tools and more performing appliances and devices.





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