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Title: MANAGEMENT OF MILLER' S CLASS II GINGIVAL RECESSION USING CORONALLY ADVANCED FLAP WITH DE-EPITHELIALIZED FREE GINGIVAL GRAFT: A CASE REPORT.

Recommendation:	Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Accept as it is	Originality		⋖		
Accept after minor revision	Techn. Quality		\langle		
Accept after major revision	Clarity		<		
Do not accept (Reasons below)	Significance		<		

Reviewer Name: Dr Aamina

Reviewer's Comment for Publication.

General Comments:

The manuscript presents a well-structured and clinically relevant case report focusing on the surgical management of Miller's Class II gingival recession using a coronally advanced flap (CAF) in combination with a de-epithelialized free gingival graft (DFGG). The topic is significant, particularly in light of ongoing refinements in periodontal plastic surgery techniques and the quest for optimal root coverage outcomes with minimal patient morbidity.

Scientific Content and Clinical Relevance:

The report effectively introduces the problem of gingival recession and its clinical implications, such as sensitivity and esthetic concerns. The choice of surgical technique, grounded in recent literature, is appropriate for the clinical scenario described. The manuscript demonstrates familiarity with current periodontal literature, including reference to seminal work by Zucchelli and recent meta-analytical findings by Tavelli et al., thereby placing the case within the context of evidence-based practice.

The clinical approach is consistent with accepted protocols and aligns with contemporary advancements in mucogingival therapy. The 3-month follow-up period is adequate to observe early healing outcomes and initial root coverage success. The resolution of hypersensitivity and substantial root coverage provide a successful clinical endpoint, further emphasizing the effectiveness of the method described.

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Clarity and Structure:

The manuscript is logically organized, beginning with a concise abstract and followed by a clear introduction that establishes the clinical rationale. The language used is professional, and the clinical terminology is appropriate for a specialist audience. The discussion draws on relevant scientific literature to support the chosen technique without overextending claims, maintaining a case-based narrative throughout.

Ethical and Technical Considerations:

There is no indication of ethical concerns. The surgical methodology adheres to standard principles of periodontal therapy, and no experimental procedures are reported. The manuscript stays within the scope of a clinical case report and avoids extrapolating the results beyond the limits of the single case presented.

Conclusion:

This case report contributes meaningfully to the clinical documentation of root coverage procedures and supports the viability of the DFGG technique in managing Miller's Class II gingival recessions. It provides a practical reference for clinicians seeking alternative connective tissue harvesting techniques that may offer patient-centered advantages.