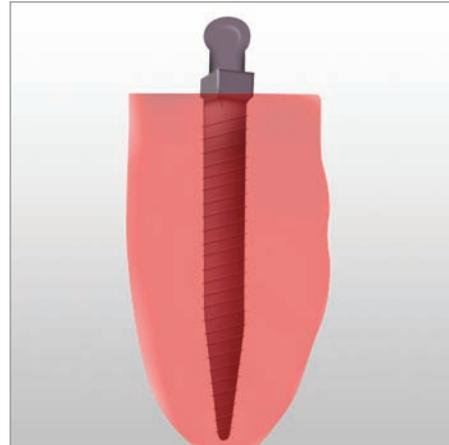
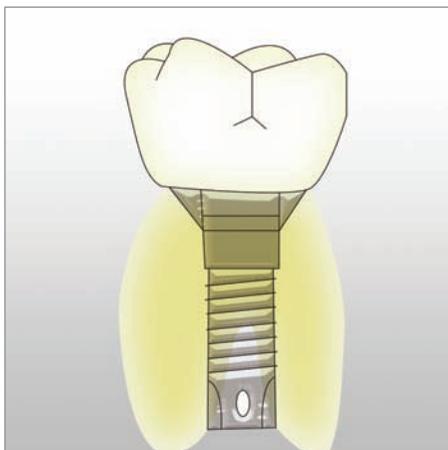


# traditional & mini implants

**Traditional dental implants** are artificial substitutes for natural tooth roots. They are used to replace teeth individually or for fixed bridge work. The replaced teeth are not removable and therefore feel exactly like normal teeth.

Missing teeth can often be replaced by implants. Implants act like roots of teeth. After they have been fitted and have healed in place, dentures or crowns may be attached to them. When dentures are held in place by implants they do not slip around. If crowns are fitted on implants, they act like normal teeth.

The success and rapid growth in popularity of the implant over the past few years is due to the predictability of the technique. Rigid fixation of the implant with the surrounding bone gives many years of function. Implants can only be placed if there is enough bone present in the jaw. When teeth are lost, the bone around the teeth gradually disappears. If too much bone has been lost it is sometimes possible to grow bone in its place.



**The mini implant** acts like the root to which a denture can be securely attached.

Imagine visiting your dentist in the morning, have the mini implant treatment in less than 2 hours then enjoy your favourite lunch. Be comfortable, laugh and talk with confidence - all at an affordable price. The placement of the implant is accomplished quickly and easily in a one-step procedure performed at our practice. Under local anaesthesia, using precise controlled and minimally invasive surgical techniques, the implants are placed into the jawbone. The head of the implants protrude from the gum tissue and provide strong solid foundation for securing your dentures.

The reason it is so important to replace the tooth root as well as the visible part of the tooth (crown) is that natural tooth roots are embedded in the bone, providing the stable foundation necessary to bite and chew. In essence, the bone holds the tooth roots in place and tooth roots preserve the bone.

When teeth are missing, the bone that previously supported them melts away, or deteriorates. However, replacing missing tooth roots with dental implants can preserve it. Since the bone forms a strong bond to the implants, they can serve the same functions as natural tooth roots: a strong foundation for biting and chewing and stimulation for the bone to hold it in place.

## HARWICH

49 Kingsway, Dovercourt,  
Harwich, Essex, CO12 3JT  
tel: 01255 508570

## CLACTON-ON-SEA

25 Carnarvon Road,  
Clacton-on-sea, Essex, CO15 6QF  
tel: 01255 423299