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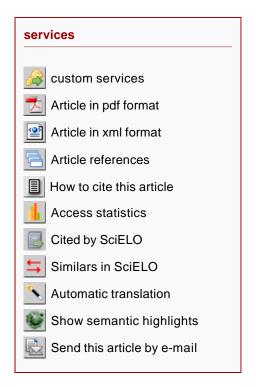
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Abstract

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The purpose of this study is to evaluate the antimicrobial activity of the endodontic sealers: N-Rickert, Sealapex, AH Plus, Mineral Trioxide Aggregate (MTA) and portland cement. The Agar diffusion method was used in plates previously inoculated with the following microorganisms: *C. albicans, S. aureus, E. faecalis, E. coli.* The diameters of microbial inhibition zones were measured after 24 hours of incubation in kiln at 37°C. According to the methodology used, it was possible to conclude that only the sealers AH Plus and N-Rickert presented antimicrobial activity against *C. albicans, S. aureus, and E. coli;* no antimicrobial activity in MTA, Sealapex and portland cement was observed. N-Rickert presented the largest inhibition zones varying from 8 to 18 mm, and the microorganism *E. faecalis* was resistant against all sealers tested.



Keywords : Root canal obturation; Bacteria; Dental cements.

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