

Theory and Methods of the Study of the Human Periodontal Ligament Dynamics

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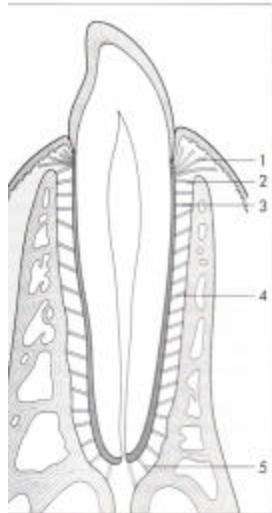
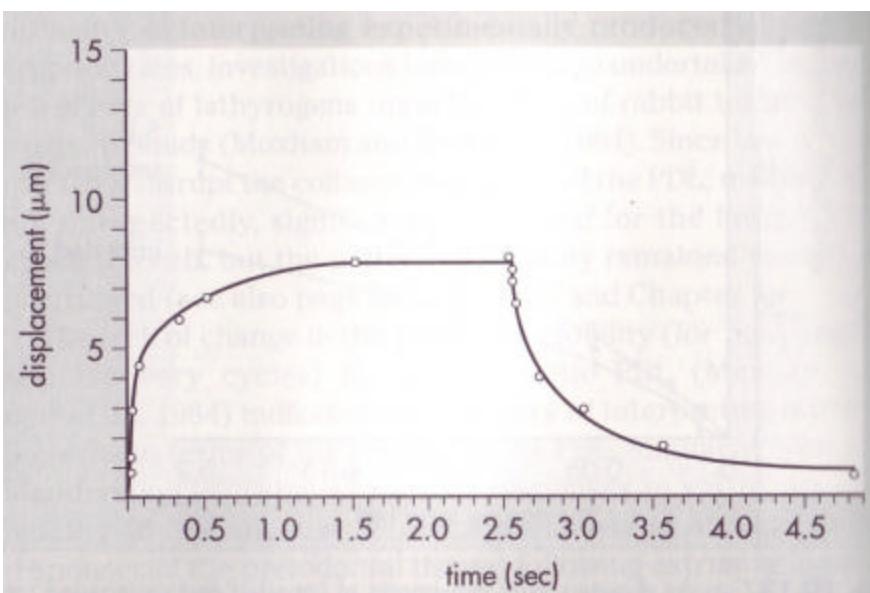
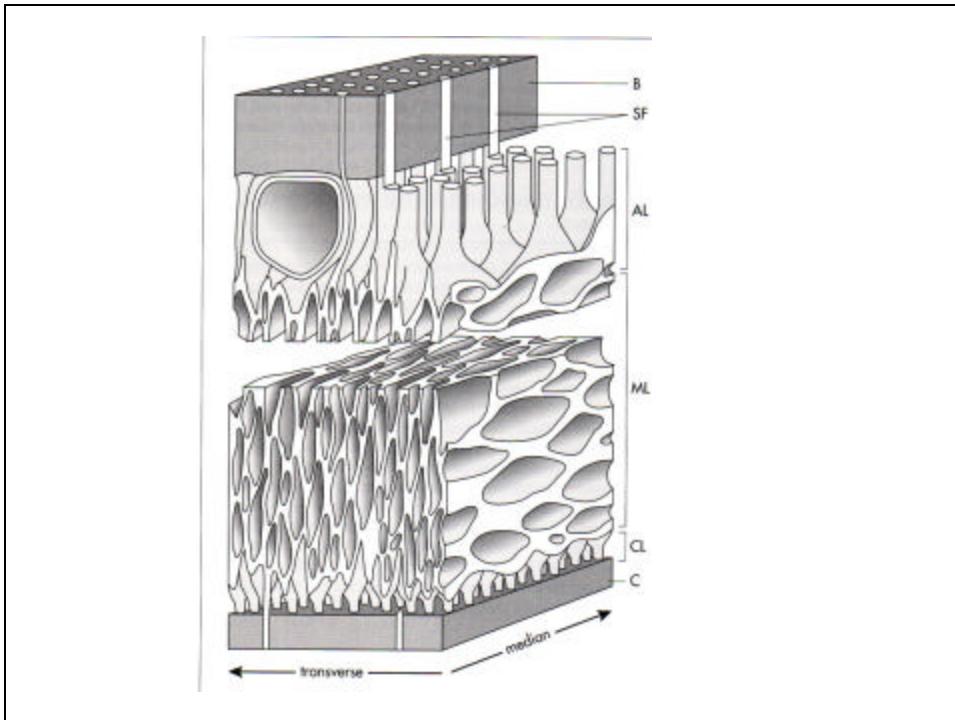


Fig. 2.11 Diagram showing the arrangement of periodontal collagen into groups of principal fibres. 1 - gingival, 2 - crestal, 3 - horizontal, 4 - oblique, 5 - apical.

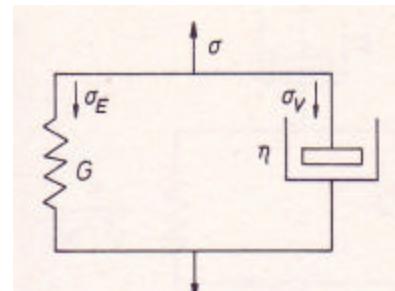




The Periodontal Ligament (PDL) is viscoelastic

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{s} &= G Y & \mathbf{s} &= h \frac{dY}{dt} \\ \mathbf{s}_0 &= G Y + h \dot{Y} & Y(0) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

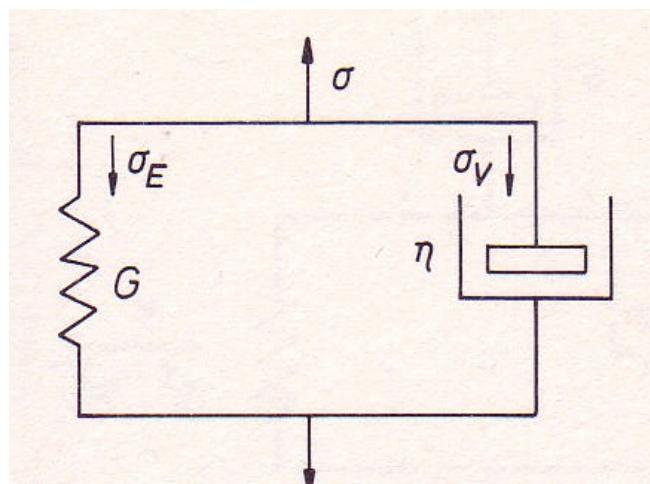
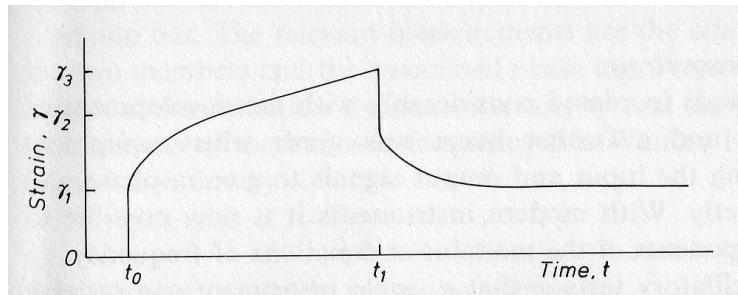
Kelvin Model of the PDL



Creep and Relaxation

$$t = t_0, \quad \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{s}_0, \quad Y(t) = \frac{\mathbf{s}_0}{G} \left(1 - \exp\left(-\frac{G}{h} t\right) \right)$$

$$t = t_1, \quad \mathbf{s} = 0, \quad Y(t) = \frac{\mathbf{s}_0}{G} \exp\left(-\frac{G}{h} t\right)$$



Impulsed Oscillator

$$\ddot{y} + 2\zeta \omega_n \dot{y} + \omega_n^2 y = \omega_n^2 u(t)$$

$$y(0^+) = 0 \quad \zeta = \frac{b}{b_{\text{critical}}}$$

$$\dot{y}(0^+) = \omega_n^2 \quad \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

$$u(0^+) = 0 \quad \omega_d = \omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}$$

$$y_{\text{impulse}} = \frac{\omega_n}{\sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}} \exp(-\zeta \omega_n t) \sin(\omega_d t)$$



