

English

My teeth ache and have moved again

Per Karlsen is a 55 year old male. Three years ago he was subjected to systematic periodontal treatment. Surgery was performed in the region of # 23 – 26 and also in the anterior mandibular region. He went for regular maintenance visits during the following year. At that stage he had no subjective symptoms, no pocket depths exceeding 4 mm, but bleeding on probing in the molar regions.

After one year of maintenance he was not recalled by the dentist, and he did not seek any professional **supportive periodontal treatment** (SPT), himself.

He now notices that when pressing a finger on the buccal gingiva of tooth 36, pus is expressed. In addition, he has noticed that the diastema in the upper central incisors has increased. Therefore he now requests a consultation to assess the situation.

The clinical examination reveals an abscess on the palatal side of tooth 26 and massive amounts of calculus in the lower anterior region. Tooth 24 is mobile and tender to percussion.