



## In Search of an Esthetic Temporary Cement

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The search for temporary cements has been a long one, over the last decade my practice has moved away from porcelain fused to metal full coverage as the go to indirect restoration. The difference in mechanical retention, aesthetics and final placement protocols places different demands on our temporary cements. There are quite a number of criteria we require from a temporary cement and finding it all in one product was the challenge. The important criteria for a temporary cement are:

- Has great retention
- Can be easily removed
- Allows for easy clean-up of the prep
- Quick and easy removal of excess during cementation
- Delivers great esthetics
- Eugenol free
- No sensitivity
- Does not grow black scuzz

Having tested many of the temporary cements on the market, there are many that meet most of the criteria, but I had not gotten everything I wanted until I started to use Tempo<sup>®</sup>CemID. It is a resin based temporary cement that changes from slightly opaque to translucent when you move through the curing process. The initial opacity that remains even at the gel phase makes cleaning away the excess very easy. Once all the excess has been cleaned off, a final cure takes you to fantastic retention and a beautiful esthetic cement. The chemistry allows you to place the final restoration without worrying about any incompatibility with the adhesive or traditional cement systems.

Whether for full or partial coverage TempoCemID has become the temporary cement of preference in my practice.