



The Importance of Stump Shade: *“Save Time, Money **AND** Achieve Better Esthetics the First Time”*

At the time of preparation, obtaining a stump (prep) shade can save time and money by eliminating the remake or re-shade of a restoration, and consequently the additional appointment. Esthetically, the preparation shade will affect the final result of any metal free restoration because of the high degree of translucency in today’s restorations – *That’s why it is so vital to communicate the stump or preparation shade for every Zirconia or All-Ceramic restoration.*

What does DDS, Ltd. need on the Rx?

- For **every** Zirconia or all-ceramic restoration, supply a stump (prep) shade.

What Shade Guide should I use?

- Any shade guide of your choosing. We recommend Ivoclar Vivodent’s Natural Die Material Shade Guide* – it includes nine different shades varying from imitation bleached to extremely discolored preparations. The shade guide enables our technician to fabricate a model die similar to the preparation of the patient, on the basis of which the correct shade and brightness values of the restoration may be fabricated.



- *Hint:* You can use the lingual gingival part of any shade guide to pick a stump shade:



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