

Retreatment of a patient who presented with condyle resorption

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Perhaps you have had the experience of treating a Class II malocclusion in a patient with a steep mandibular plane, only to have the patient relapse later due to unexpected resorption of both mandibular condyles. How did you manage that situation? Consider yourself above average if you took the approach described by Dr Bilodeau in this month's case report.

He related in detail the orthodontic and surgical retreatment of a woman with an anterior open bite and long lower anterior face height due to condylar resorption. Based on this unique and challenging problem, the excellent treatment rendered, the beautiful records, and the thorough written report, the *Journal's* case-report editor gave this original submission 30 of a possible 30 points—the highest I have ever seen. Take time to read the detailed diagnosis of this patient's underlying problem and the author's attempt to support every aspect of his treatment plan with studies published by respected clinicians. You will appreciate the outcome of this approach to treatment all the more. Enjoy.