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Abstract

This study evaluated the effects of etching with increasing hydrofluoric (HF) acid concentrations on the roughness and flexural strength of a feldspathic ceramic. One hundred and fifty ceramic specimens (14×4×1.2 mm) were produced from ceramic blocks (VitaBlocks Mark II). All specimens were polished, chamfered and sonically

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