Orthodontic treatment for adults is always a difficult process, which requires morphological, functional, aesthetic factors and limited possibilities of dentoalveolar teeth positioning. One of the most actual issues of orthodontic correction in adults is teeth extractions by orthodontic. Nowadays, when there is a concept of «arch development», skeletal enlargement and minimplants, treatment with extraction should be correctly explained and determined by orthodontic treatment and should not be caused to functional status and face aesthetics, which provides qualitative and stable result of treatment. Besides, necessity of teeth extraction of some teeth which are written in medical protocol, secures a doctor from law risks. The aim of the investigation was to establish correlative link between parameters of morphometric analysis of control and diagnostic models of jaws by Snagina and roentgenologic parameters of lateral cephalometry by Kim.

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Introduction

Orthodontic treatment for adults is always a difficult process, which requires morphological, functional, aesthetic factors and limited possibilities of dentoalveolar teeth positioning [1,2]. Limited possibilities for orthodontic correction in adults are determined by the widespread use of orthognathic surgery, which is not extensively used in dental practice nowadays. Therefore, the most common method of orthodontic treatment for adults is identified by dentoalveolar correction [3].

One of the most relevant issues of orthodontic correction in adults is teeth extraction by orthodontic indications aimed at creating place and correction of upper and lower dentition. In orthodontics, it is not feasible to extract teeth when it is not necessary. It is likewise ineligible when they are not extracted when it is necessary.

It should be noted that tooth extraction is a manipula-
tion which can have side effects, complications, and risk factors. Each number of teeth is designed to performing functions and tasks and is responsible for specific role in occlusion function.

Current indications to teeth extraction is the presence of overjet, inadequacy of teeth sizes, bimaxillary protrusion, protrusive profile.

Most often, in the orthodontic practice, the extraction of the first premolars is performed, because they erupt firstly among lateral teeth and their extraction allows canines erupting, because the first premolar is located between frontal and lateral teeth, the place after its removal can be placed for eliminating deficiency in frontal area and lateral one (crowding elimination) and (row boat effect) [4,6,7,8].

Orthodontic contraindications to premolars extraction include retroversion of frontal teeth positioning, horizontal type of growth, increase the height of bite, enlarged sizes of tongue. Besides, treatment with extraction of premolars disintegrates the parallel parameters of teeth roots, provides indications for mesio-distal angle and rotation.

During teeth extraction by orthodontic indications, the following factors should be considered: aesthetic (facial profile, incisors explosion, depth of lips, their length, sizes of the nose); morphological (biotype of periodontium, volume of bone tissue, integrity of cortical plate); functional (volume of upper respiratory tracts, tongue position) and also malocclusion [9,10,11,12].

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Methods of morphometric and X-ray investigations are widely used to diagnose and determine the necessity of teeth extraction in each patient.

Morphometric method by Snagina allows evaluating the correlation between sizes of basal and dental arches. During place deficiency on the level of basal arch there is teeth protrusion and it deteriorates facial profile, aesthetics of lips and also it affects the condition of alveolar bone in the area of frontal teeth.

Informative method for diagnostics is lateral digital cephalometry, especially Kim analysis, diagnostic value of which is identification of skeletal class of dentofacial abnormality, prognosis of opportunity of bite opening during treatment and evaluation of teeth extraction by skeletal indications.

However, clinical practice determines that results of both methods are not similar and it can complicate the clinical decision and treatment plan.

The aim of the investigation was to establish correlative link between parameters of morphometric analysis of control and diagnostic models of jaws by Snagina and roentgenologic parameters of lateral cephalometry by Kim.

Materials and methods

Adult patients aged from 18 to 32 years old (50) by the 1st class of dentofacial abnormalities and the degree of teeth crowding were involved in the investigation.

Clinical and lab investigation was done. In the given investigation results of both methods of investigation were analyzed by protocols. Morphometric research by Snagina (determination of width and length of apical basis of jaws) and lateral cephalometry by Kim, especially parameter of Combination Factor, which is calculated by the basis of formula: the angle of palatine and mandibular axis to FH, facial angle and inclination lines A-B to facial area (Fig. 1). [13].

**Results**

Morphometric analysis of control and diagnostic models of jaws by Snagina determines 4 parameters: the width of basis of upper jaw, the length of apical basis of upper jaw, the length of apical basis of lower jaw, the length of apical basis of mandible. Each of these parameters can have decrease of the 1st degree (they do not require extraction) and the 2nd degree (this degree indicates the necessity of extraction).

The width of apical basis of upper jaw in average contains 40.4±3.92 mm, the length – 38.9±3.04 mm. On the mandible – 34.4±3.13 mm and 35.7±2.28 mm correspondingly. As a consequence of narrowing of apical basis of maxilla extraction was necessary for 15 patients, shortening – for 14 people. Based on indices of the width of apical basis of mandible extraction was needed for 26 patients, the length – for 25.

So, adults require extraction due to deficiency of apical basis of mandible which is different from maxilla and it does not require enlargement, and bone tissue and periodontium are the most susceptible during orthodontic correction [14].

CF normally contains 155.9° and is an indicator of vertical and sagittal skeletal disturbances. If indices of CF is lesser than 155.9°, so skeletal parameters of patient require teeth extraction. The meaning of CF is bigger than 155.9° indicates favorable prognosis of treatment without teeth extraction and positive aesthetic result.

Average meaning of CF among patients was 158.9±10.77°. According to Kim, 22 patients required treatment with extraction (CF<155.5).

Among 50 patients, only 4 people did not require extraction.
24 patients did not require extraction by data of CF, but they had decreased sizes of apical basis by one parameter. Therefore, conclusions on necessity of extraction by data of cephalometric and morphometric analysis were not coincided.

Among patients with high CF (patients who do not require extraction by skeletal parameters), in 2 patients narrowing of apical basis of upper jaw of the second stage is observed, in 10 – shortening of apical basis of the 2nd degree is observed, in 16 patients – narrowing and shortening of apical basis of the 2nd degree are observed, in 16 – narrowing and shortening of apical basis of mandible of 2nd degree are observed.

Among 23 patients with CF<155.9 (they required extraction due to abnormality of skeletal development), only 1 patient presented with normal sizes of apical basis, 13 of them had narrowing of apical basis of maxilla, 4 – shortening, in 10 patients narrowing of apical basis of upper jaw is observed, in 11 – shortening.

We analyzed the number of parameters of apical basis which was decreased between two groups. Among patients with normal meaning of CF decrease, one of parameters of apical basis was observed in 5 patients, two – in 13 patients, three parameters – in 2 patients, all four parameters – in nobody of examined patients.

Among patients with low CF, decrease of one parameter is observed in 3 patients, two parameters – in 7 patients, three ones – in 4 patients, all four parameters – in 2 patients.

We conducted the correlation analysis and determined that a single parameter of apical basis that correlates with CF is its width on the maxilla. CF has a direct correlative connection of midline (r=0.52) with width of apical basis. Thus, the lowest factor of the process is observed, the narrowest apical basis of upper jaw is determined.

The revealed fact is quite logical and may be explained by the fact that the upper jaw is the leading in growth and dictates the development of face and both jaws. The transversal hypoplasia of the upper jaw, which is primarily manifested by the narrowing of the upper dentition, is the cause of the formation of various bite anomalies, inadequate growth of the mandible and as a result of the deficit of the place for the teeth.

Let us give a clinical case of a patient K., 19 years old, who presented with complaints of disrupted facial and smile aesthetics. Objectively, the patient has a long face, the lips are tightened, the first class of malocclusion by Angle, palatine position of the upper lateral incisors, protrusion of the upper central incisors, congestion of the lower incisors of the second degree.

According to the morphometry, the patient revealed the II degree of apical basis of the upper jaw narrowing, which involves the extraction of premolars. According to the TRG, the CF was 157.2°, which allowed us to plan treatment without extraction of teeth.

Thus, dental parameters indicated the need for extraction, and skeletal - for the possibility of treatment without extraction. The patient was given an alternative treatment without removing premolars with the use of rapid palatal expansion and multi-loop technique, which allowed eliminating not only the teeth position abnormality of the but also improving the profile of the face (Fig. 2).
Thus, indications to treatment with teeth extraction by skeletal and dentoalveolar parameters are different, although there is connection between skeletal parameters and the width of apical basis of maxilla. Skeletal and dentoalveolar morphometric parameters that are used for evaluation of extraction necessity of some teeth and planning for orthodontic treatment are always individual.

Skeletal diagnosis and facial aesthetics is a leading factor in modern orthodontics. During treatment plan one should orient into aesthetic and functional prognosis, structure of facial skeleton, and after that dentoalveolar parameters.

The prospects for further research include the necessity of additional methods and morphological indicators, aesthetic parameters and functional status of masticatory apparatus should be also considered.

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