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EFFECT OF OSTEOGENESIS IMPERFECTA ON ORTHODONTIC TOOTH MOVEMENT IN A MOUSE MODEL

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Introduction: Osteogenesis imperfecta (OI) is a heritable bone disorder that affects collagen type I production and bone remodeling. Orthodontic tooth movement (OTM) involves the underlying process of alveolar bone remodeling. The objective of this study is to evaluate OTM in a mouse model of OI.

Methods: Twenty four, 10 week-old female mice were divided into 4 groups: 1- OI treated with zoledronate, 2- OI untreated, 3- Wild-type (WT) treated with zoledronate and 4- WT untreated. A nickel-titanium closed coil spring (10 g) was attached between the incisors and the right maxillary 1st molar. The contralateral side was used as control. Zoledronate (0.05mg/kg) was administered sub-cutaneously 1 day prior to surgery. Seven days after the procedure, the distance between 1st – 2nd molars was measured by micro-CT.

Results: OI mice presented significantly more OTM than WT mice when comparing within untreated groups ($p < 0.05$). Zoledronate treatment had no significant effect on OTM within OI and WT groups.

Conclusions: These results suggest increased OTM in mice with OI. The dose of zoledronate administrated 1 day prior to surgery had no significant effect on OTM.

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