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**What is claimed is:**

1. A device comprising:

a mouthpiece sized and configured to fit into a mouth of a human, the mouthpiece including  
5 two opposing U-shaped channels configured to receive one or more teeth of the human; and

a plurality of pairs of electrodes being electrically coupled to a controller and being supported by the mouthpiece, each pair of electrodes  
10 comprising an anodic electrode and a cathodic electrode, one of the anodic electrode and cathodic electrode being disposed on an outer surface of one of the U-shaped channels and the other of the anodic electrode and the cathodic electrode being disposed  
15 on an inner surface of the same U-shaped channel;

wherein each pair of electrodes is selectively activatable by the controller separate and apart from any other electrode on the mouthpiece.

20 2. A device according to claim 1, wherein all electrodes disposed on the outer surface of each U-shaped channel are selectively activatable to the same polarity.

3. A device according to claim 1, wherein  
25 all electrodes disposed on the outer surface of both U-shaped channels are selectively activatable to the same polarity.

4. A device according to claim 1, where  
all electrodes disposed on the inner surface of each  
30 U-shaped channel are selectively activatable to the same polarity.

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5. A device according to claim 4, wherein all electrodes disposed on the inner surface of both U-shaped channels are selectively activatable to the same polarity.

5           6. A device according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of pairs is eight pairs.

7. A device according to claim 6, wherein four pairs are disposed along surfaces of each U-shaped channel.

10           8. A method comprising the steps of:  
            positioning a first electrode on a mouthpiece at a first location of gingival tissue of a human, the first location of gingival tissue at least partially surrounding at least one of (a) a tooth to be removed  
15           and replaced with an implant, (b) an empty tooth socket from which a tooth has been removed, and (c) a portion of a previously placed dental implant;

            positioning a second electrode on the mouthpiece at a second location of gingival tissue of  
20           the human, the first location of gingival tissue at least partially surrounding at least one of (a) the tooth to be removed and replaced with an implant, (b) the empty tooth socket from which the tooth has been removed, and (c) the portion of the previously placed dental implant;  
25           and

            delivering an electrical current between the first electrode and the second electrode.

9. The method of claim 8, wherein the first electrode comprises one from a group consisting of an  
30           anodic electrode and a cathodic electrode, and

            wherein the second electrode comprises the other of the group consisting of an anodic electrode and

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the cathodic electrode.

10. The method of claim 9, wherein the first location of gingival tissue comprises one from a group consisting of exterior gingival tissue and interior  
5 gingival tissue, and

wherein the second location of gingival tissue comprises the other from the group consisting of exterior gingival tissue and interior gingival tissue.

11. The method of claim 10, wherein the  
10 exterior gingival tissue is selected from the group consisting of buccal gingival tissue and vestibular gingival tissue.

12. The method of claim 10, wherein the interior gingival tissue is selected from the group  
15 consisting of lingual gingival tissue and palatal gingival tissue.

13. The method of claim 8, wherein the first location of gingival tissue comprises one from a group consisting of exterior gingival tissue and interior  
20 gingival tissue, and

wherein the second location of gingival tissue comprises the other from the group consisting of exterior gingival tissue and interior gingival tissue.

14. The method of claim 13, wherein the  
25 exterior gingival tissue is selected from the group consisting of buccal gingival tissue and vestibular gingival tissue, and

wherein the interior gingival tissue is selected from the group consisting of lingual gingival  
30 tissue and palatal gingival tissue.

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15. The method of claim 8, wherein the first location of gingival tissue comprises one from a group consisting of buccal gingival tissue and lingual gingival tissue, and

wherein the second location of gingival tissue comprises the other from the group consisting of buccal gingival tissue and lingual gingival tissue.

16. The method of claim 8, wherein the tooth has been intentionally removed from the empty tooth socket.

17. The method of claim 8, wherein the tooth has been accidentally removed from the empty tooth socket.

18. The method of claim 8, further comprising the step of preventing conduction of electrical current from a third electrode to any other oral tissue of the human, the third electrode being electrically isolated from the first electrode and the second electrode.

19. The method of claim 18, wherein the preventing conduction step comprises refraining from placing the third electrode in an oral cavity of the human.

20. The method of claim 18, wherein the preventing conduction step comprises the step of deactivating the third electrode.

21. The method of claim 8, wherein the delivering step comprises the steps of:

electrically coupling the first electrode and the second electrode to a power supply; and

causing the power supply to discharge electrical current to one of the first electrode and second electrode.