

# Proposal for addition of forensic odontologist in team of forensic facial reconstruction - from evidence to decision

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## ABSTRACT

**Introduction:** Forensic facial approximation (FFA) 3-dimensionally recreates face of an individual from skull remains which adequately resembles deceased person to allow his / her identification. FFA involves an assimilation of anatomy, forensic science, anthropology, osteology and above all craftsmanship to artistically recreate the identity of the deceased.

**Aim:** To highlight skills and attribute of dentist / forensic odontologists qualifying him to be part of FFA team.

**Methodology:** Through this poster, we discuss to propose inclusion of a dental expert (preferably a forensic odontologist) to be a part of FFA team based on their sound scientific knowledge about human anatomy, musculature as well as exposure to various hard tissue and soft tissue landmarks that are taught as a part of BDS curriculum all over the globe.

**Conclusion:** Practical training given to dentists / forensic odontologist including artistic handiwork with adept use of various hand instruments may attest extremely beneficial when working on the skull, hence qualifies him/her as an expert to included in team of FFA.