

Dr Ahmed El Hadidi

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Clinical expertise

Dr Ahmed El Hadidi came to specialist periodontics after more than 15 years as a general dental practitioner — a background that shapes how he approaches every case. Most periodontists train through a more direct academic route. Dr El Hadidi spent well over a decade in the chair first, which means he thinks about gum disease in the context of restorative planning, patient history, and the full picture of someone's oral health rather than in isolation. For referring dentists, that tends to make communication considerably more straightforward.

His clinical work covers:

- Non-surgical and surgical periodontal therapy across all stages and severities of periodontitis - Regenerative periodontal procedures, including guided tissue regeneration and guided bone regeneration, aimed at rebuilding the structures that support teeth - Hard and soft tissue grafting, including bone augmentation, connective tissue grafts, and free gingival grafts for both functional and aesthetic outcomes - Aesthetic periodontal procedures, including cosmetic crown lengthening and gingival recession management - Dental implant dentistry in full, from surgical placement and bone grafting through to sinus lift procedures and peri-implant disease management

Patients referred to Dr El Hadidi can expect thorough treatment planning and clear explanations of the reasoning behind each recommendation. He has a particular interest in the role of genetic susceptibility in periodontal disease — specifically, how a patient's biological profile can inform prognosis and guide more individualised care.

Training pathway

Dr El Hadidi completed his Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) in Cairo before moving to Australia in 2010. He practised first in Launceston, Tasmania, then in Sydney, before settling in Melbourne in 2016. Along the way, he earned his MRACDS (GDP) — the Membership of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons in General Dental Practice — a credential assessed against the fellowship standard of one of Australia's most respected specialist dental colleges.

After building a substantial clinical base across several Australian healthcare settings, he enrolled in the Doctorate of Clinical Dentistry (DCD) in Periodontics in 2020. The DCD is a three-year specialist training programme. His research thesis examined DNA mutations that increase susceptibility to periodontal disease, placing his academic work squarely in the emerging area of personalised

periodontal care.

Research

The genetic basis of periodontal disease is one of the field's most clinically significant and least well-understood areas. Dr El Hadidi's doctoral research focused on identifying DNA mutations that alter an individual's susceptibility to periodontitis, with the aim of enabling earlier identification of high-risk patients and more precisely tailored preventive and therapeutic strategies.

In practice, this means moving away from uniform treatment protocols toward care that accounts for a patient's biological profile — a direction increasingly recognised as important in specialist periodontal management. Patients with complex or treatment-resistant periodontal disease, or those with a strong family history of gum disease, may find particular value in this research-informed perspective.

Professional memberships

- Member, Australian Dental Association (ADA) - Member, Australasian Osseointegration Society (AOS) - Member, Australian Society of Periodontology (ASP) - Member, International Team for Implantology (ITI)

Languages spoken

Dr El Hadidi consults in both English and Arabic. For Melbourne's Arabic-speaking communities, this means access to specialist periodontal care with full clinical clarity — patients can discuss symptoms, understand diagnoses, and engage with treatment decisions in their preferred language, without the uncertainty that can accompany cross-language consultations in a specialist setting.

At Collins Street Specialist Centre

Dr El Hadidi is part of the Periodontics service at Collins Street Specialist Centre, located at Level 12 & Tower, Manchester Unity Building, 220 Collins Street, Melbourne CBD.

His background suits patients presenting with complex or longstanding periodontal concerns, particularly where gum health, bone support, restorative needs, and implant considerations need to be considered together. No referral is required, though referrals from general dentists are welcomed. All specialist credentials can be verified independently through the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) public register.
