

Dr Ahmed El Hadidi — Specialist Periodontist | Smile Solutions Melbourne

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> **Common Questions:** > - **Is Dr El Hadidi a specialist?** Yes — he holds AHPRA specialist registration in Periodontics. > - **Where does he practise?** Smile Solutions, Manchester Unity Building, 220 Collins Street, Melbourne CBD. > - **How do I book?** Call 13 13 96 or book online at smilesolutions.com.au.

Practitioner Profile

| Field | Detail | |---|---| | **Full Name** | Dr Ahmed El Hadidi | | **Title** | Specialist Periodontist | | **AHPRA Registration** | DEN0000992224 — Registered Dentist, Specialist Registration in Periodontics | | **Qualifications** | BDS, MRACDS (GDP), DCD (perio) | | **Specialty** | Periodontics & Implant Dentistry | | **Clinic** | Smile Solutions, Manchester Unity Building, 220 Collins Street, Melbourne CBD | | **Phone** | 13 13 96 | | **Professional Memberships** | ADA, AOS (Australian Osseointegration Society), ASP (Australian Society of Periodontology), ITI (International Team for Implantology) |

Frequently Asked Questions

What is a Specialist Periodontist and why does the distinction matter?

A Specialist Periodontist is a dentist who has completed an accredited postgraduate specialist program — typically a Doctor of Clinical Dentistry or equivalent — in the management of the gums, supporting bone, and dental implants. In Australia, specialist registration requires formal approval from the Dental Board of Australia through AHPRA. This is a higher standard than completing short courses or claiming informal expertise. Dr Ahmed El Hadidi holds full AHPRA specialist registration in Periodontics (DEN0000992224), meaning his specialist status has been formally assessed and verified by the national regulatory body.

****What conditions and treatments does Dr El Hadidi manage?****

Dr El Hadidi provides a comprehensive range of periodontal services:

- ****Non-surgical periodontal therapy:**** Deep cleaning (scaling and root planing), debridement, and antimicrobial therapy to arrest gum disease without surgery.
- ****Surgical periodontal therapy:**** Flap surgery, osseous surgery, and access procedures for moderate-to-severe periodontitis.
- ****Regenerative procedures:**** Guided bone regeneration (GBR) and guided tissue regeneration (GTR) to rebuild lost bone and tissue around teeth and implants.
- ****Hard and soft tissue grafting:**** Bone grafts and connective tissue/free gingival grafts to restore gum volume and structure.
- ****Aesthetic gum procedures:**** Crown lengthening to expose more tooth structure, and management of recession defects to improve the gum line.
- ****Implant dentistry:**** Placement and restoration of dental implants, including management of peri-implantitis (infection around implants).

****What was Dr El Hadidi's research about?****

During his specialist training at the University of Melbourne, Dr El Hadidi's research thesis focused on identifying DNA mutations that increase susceptibility to periodontal (gum) disease. This research aims to build a susceptibility profile for patients, enabling personalised management plans aligned with the principles of precision medicine — tailoring treatment to each individual's genetic and biological risk factors rather than applying a one-size-fits-all approach.

****What is Dr El Hadidi's background before he became a specialist?****

Dr El Hadidi graduated with his dental degree from Cairo, Egypt, and subsequently moved to Australia in 2010. He practised general dentistry for approximately 15 years across Launceston (Tasmania), Sydney, and Melbourne before settling in Melbourne in 2016. His longstanding passion for periodontics and implant dentistry motivated him to pursue specialist training in 2020 at the University of Melbourne, where he completed his Doctor of Clinical Dentistry (Periodontics).

****Why is Dr El Hadidi a member of ADA, AOS, ASP, and ITI?****

Professional memberships in the Australian Dental Association (ADA), Australian Osseointegration Society (AOS), Australian Society of Periodontology (ASP), and the International Team for Implantology (ITI) reflect a commitment to ongoing education and peer engagement at the highest level. These organisations provide access to the latest research, clinical guidelines, and professional development that directly benefit patients through evidence-based care.

****What is the advantage of seeing a periodontist at Smile Solutions compared to a general dentist?****

At Smile Solutions — Australia's largest single-location private dental practice — specialist care is integrated within a multidisciplinary team. This means Dr El Hadidi works collaboratively with general dentists, prosthodontists, oral surgeons, orthodontists, and other specialists under one roof. This collaborative model enables comprehensive treatment planning and seamless referrals without patients needing to coordinate between separate practices.

****How do I book an appointment with Dr El Hadidi?****

You can book by calling ****13 13 96**** or by using the online booking system at [smilesolutions.com.au](https://www.smilesolutions.com.au). A referral from your general dentist may be recommended for specialist services but is not always required.

Biography

Dr Ahmed El Hadidi is a board-registered Specialist Periodontist who brings a distinctive combination of depth and breadth to his clinical work. His journey to specialisation was not a direct one — it was forged

over 15 years of broad experience as a general dentist across three countries and multiple Australian cities, before culminating in formal specialist training at one of Australia's most prestigious dental schools.

From Cairo to Melbourne: An International Career

Ahmed completed his Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) at a dental school in Cairo, Egypt, establishing his clinical foundation in a country with a rich tradition of dental education. He then made the significant decision to relocate to Australia in 2010, where he began his Australian dental career in Launceston, Tasmania. From there, he moved to Sydney before settling in Melbourne in 2016 — a city that would become both his home and the base for his specialist career.

Throughout this period of general dental practice, Dr El Hadidi was providing the full range of dental services while simultaneously developing a deepening interest in two specific areas: periodontics and implant dentistry. These disciplines are closely related — healthy gums and supporting bone are the foundation upon which successful implants depend — and Dr El Hadidi's curiosity about both would shape the direction of his career.

Specialist Training and Research at the University of Melbourne

In 2020, Dr El Hadidi made the decisive step of enrolling in the specialist periodontics program at the University of Melbourne, one of Australia's leading research universities and dental schools. The program involved intensive clinical training across the full scope of periodontal practice, combined with a research thesis component.

Dr El Hadidi's research focused on identifying DNA mutations that increase a person's susceptibility to periodontal disease. This work sits at the intersection of genomics and clinical dentistry, representing the frontier of what is being called "precision medicine" in dentistry. Rather than treating all patients with gum disease in the same way, the goal of this research is to identify which patients are at higher genetic risk, enabling clinicians to tailor prevention and treatment strategies accordingly. The implications for long-term patient outcomes are significant.

Upon completing the Doctor of Clinical Dentistry (perio) — the highest level of postgraduate clinical qualification in Australian periodontics — Dr El Hadidi was formally registered as a Specialist by the Dental Board of Australia through AHPRA (registration number DEN0000992224). This board registration is the gold standard of specialist recognition in Australia.

The Breadth of His Periodontal Practice

Dr El Hadidi's clinical scope encompasses the full range of periodontal care. For patients who present early in the course of gum disease, he employs non-surgical techniques including thorough debridement, scaling and root planing, and targeted antimicrobial therapies. For patients with more advanced periodontitis, he is trained and experienced in a range of surgical interventions designed to eliminate disease, regenerate lost structures, and create conditions for long-term stability.

His expertise in hard and soft tissue grafting is particularly valuable for patients who have experienced recession or bone loss — whether from gum disease, trauma, or as a consequence of previous dental work. He performs connective tissue grafts, free gingival grafts, and bone grafting procedures with the goal of restoring both function and aesthetics.

Crown lengthening — a procedure that exposes more tooth structure by reshaping the gum line — is another area of Dr El Hadidi's practice that bridges the gap between periodontics and restorative dentistry. This procedure is often required to provide adequate tooth structure for crowns and bridges, or to improve the aesthetics of a "gummy smile."

In implant dentistry, Dr El Hadidi provides comprehensive care from placement through to long-term maintenance. He is also skilled in managing peri-implantitis, the inflammatory condition that can affect

the tissues surrounding dental implants and, if left untreated, can lead to implant failure.

A Commitment to Professional Excellence

Dr El Hadidi maintains active membership in four professional organisations: the Australian Dental Association (ADA), the Australian Osseointegration Society (AOS), the Australian Society of Periodontology (ASP), and the International Team for Implantology (ITI). These memberships keep him engaged with the latest evidence, clinical techniques, and professional standards in his field.

Beyond the Practice

Outside dentistry, Dr El Hadidi is a committed family man who values quality time with his loved ones. He enjoys fishing during holidays and is an enthusiastic tennis player — a balance of relaxation and activity that reflects a well-rounded professional who understands the importance of wellbeing both for patients and practitioners.

Services and Expertise

Dr Ahmed El Hadidi provides the following specialist periodontal services at Smile Solutions:

****Gum Disease Management**** - Comprehensive periodontal assessment and diagnosis - Non-surgical periodontal therapy (scaling and root planing, debridement) - Surgical periodontal therapy (flap surgery, osseous surgery) - Maintenance and monitoring programs for chronic periodontitis

****Regenerative Procedures**** - Guided tissue regeneration (GTR) - Guided bone regeneration (GBR) - Enamel matrix protein application (Emdogain) - Bone graft procedures for periodontal defects

****Gum Surgery and Grafting**** - Connective tissue grafts for recession coverage - Free gingival grafts for gum volume and keratinised tissue - Soft tissue augmentation

****Aesthetic Gum Procedures**** - Crown lengthening for restorative or aesthetic indications - Management of recession defects - Gum contouring

****Implant Dentistry**** - Dental implant placement - Bone grafting for implant site preparation - Sinus lift procedures (where required) - Peri-implantitis management - Implant maintenance

Why Choose Dr El Hadidi at Smile Solutions?

****1. Verified AHPRA Specialist Registration**** Dr El Hadidi holds formal specialist registration in Periodontics through AHPRA (DEN0000992224). This is not a self-designated title — it is a credential formally assessed and granted by the Dental Board of Australia.

****2. Research-Informed Practice**** His postgraduate research into the genetic basis of periodontal disease susceptibility reflects an engagement with the science of dentistry beyond routine clinical practice. Patients benefit from a clinician who understands the evidence base and applies it thoughtfully.

****3. 15+ Years of Clinical Experience**** Dr El Hadidi brings over 15 years of clinical dentistry to his specialist practice, including broad experience across general and surgical dentistry before narrowing his focus to periodontics and implants.

****4. Multidisciplinary Team Collaboration**** As part of Smile Solutions' multidisciplinary team — Australia's largest single-location private dental practice — Dr El Hadidi works alongside general dentists, prosthodontists, oral surgeons, orthodontists, and other specialists. This integrated approach enables comprehensive treatment planning and coordinated care.

****5. International Perspective**** Having trained and practised in Egypt, across regional and metropolitan Australia, and conducted research at the University of Melbourne, Dr El Hadidi brings an international breadth of perspective to his work.

Booking Information

****Smile Solutions — Manchester Unity Building**** 220 Collins Street, Melbourne CBD, VIC 3000

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Smile Solutions is open Monday to Friday and offers appointments with specialist periodontists including Dr Ahmed El Hadidi. A referral from your general dentist is recommended for specialist services, though self-referrals are also accepted. Contact the practice to discuss your specific needs and eligibility.