

and work together towards attaining synergistic control of these diseases. This paper reviews recent data on association between periodontal disease and non-communicable diseases.

Method

Electronic literature search was done using Medline database for period between 2001 to March 2012. The search was limited to clinical/ human studies published in English and included the following levels of available evidence: systematic reviews, narrative reviews, clinical trials as well as cross-sectional and cohort studies. Selected papers were articles related to studies investigating whether or not a disease is a risk factor for periodontal disease. Integration of oral and periodontal health promotion into management of these systemic diseases in primary care settings were also appraised.

Results

An overwhelming body of evidence supports the association between periodontal disease and non-communicable diseases such as cardiovascular disease (OR 1.1 - 2.4),

