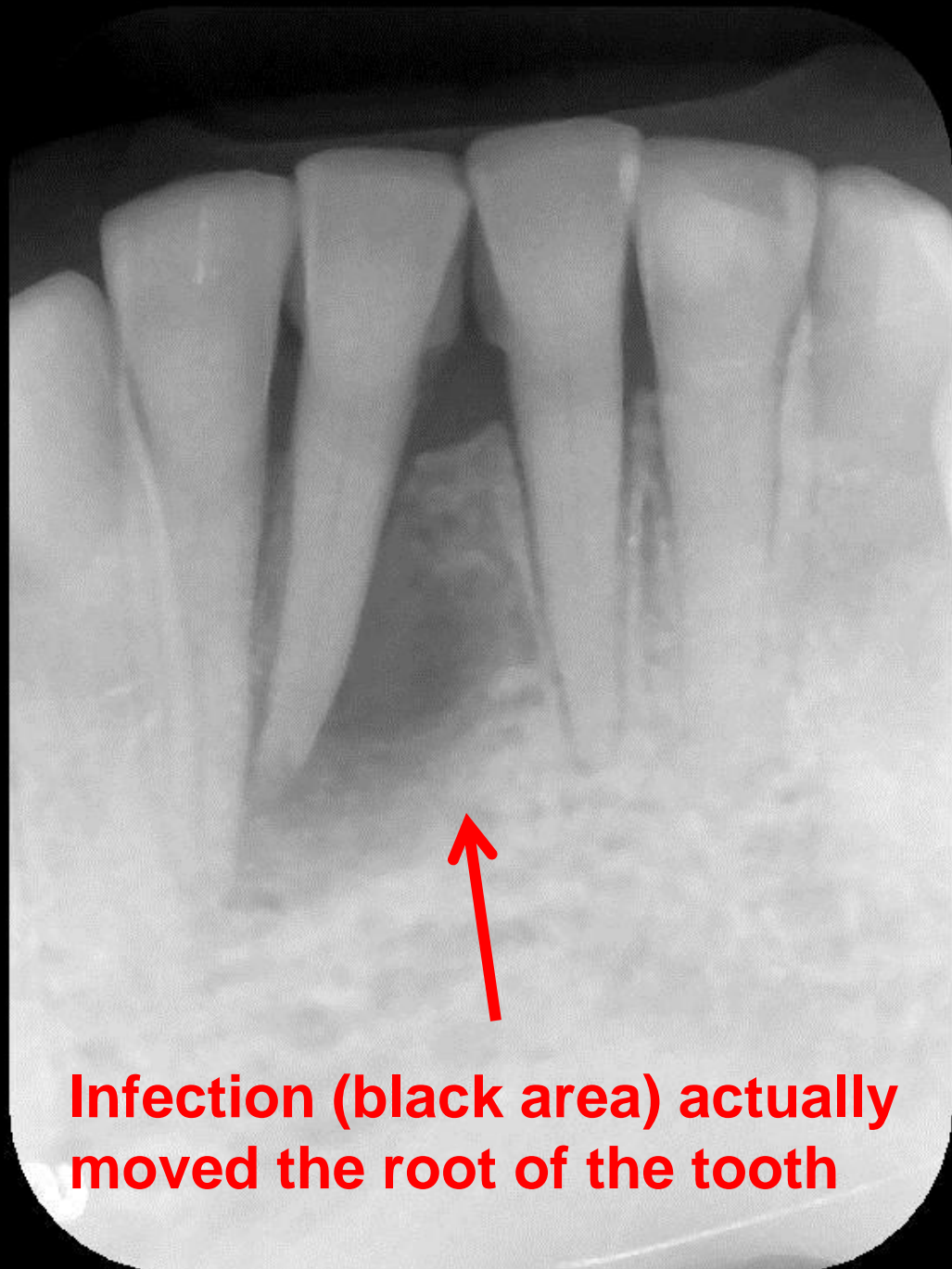
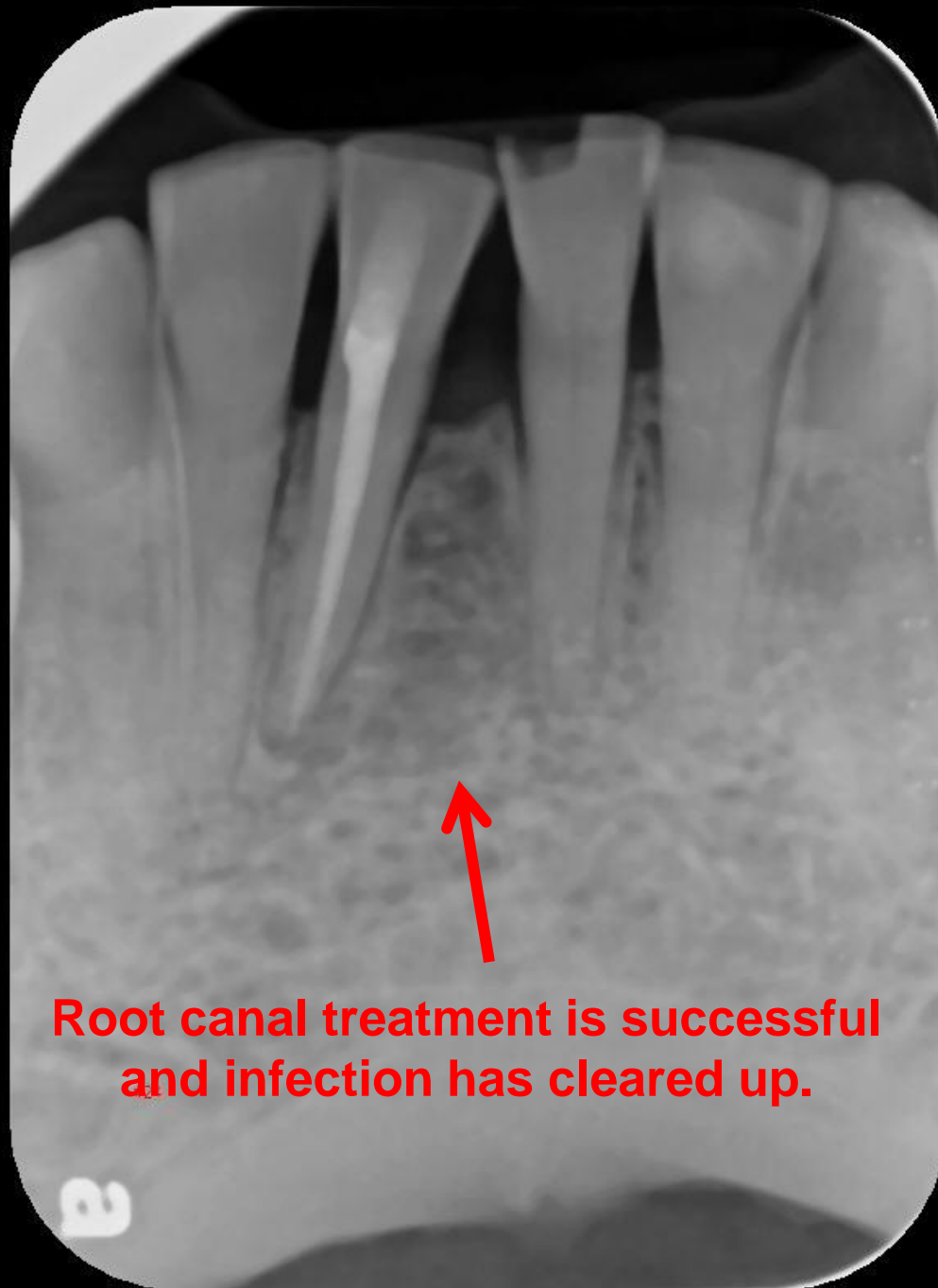


# ROOT CANAL TREATMENTS

It is important to note that not all root canal treatments are failures and have infections. Many infected teeth are treated with root canals and have functioned for years without infection. Modern Cat Scans now can tell us which root canals are failing and then the patient can decide whether to retreat the tooth or to extract it. Extracting all root canal teeth has far reaching consequences and may lead many to becoming dental cripples. Each situation must be evaluated on an individual basis and a detailed discussion about the pros and cons of removing teeth is owed to each patient so that the patient has a clear understanding of the consequences of their choice.



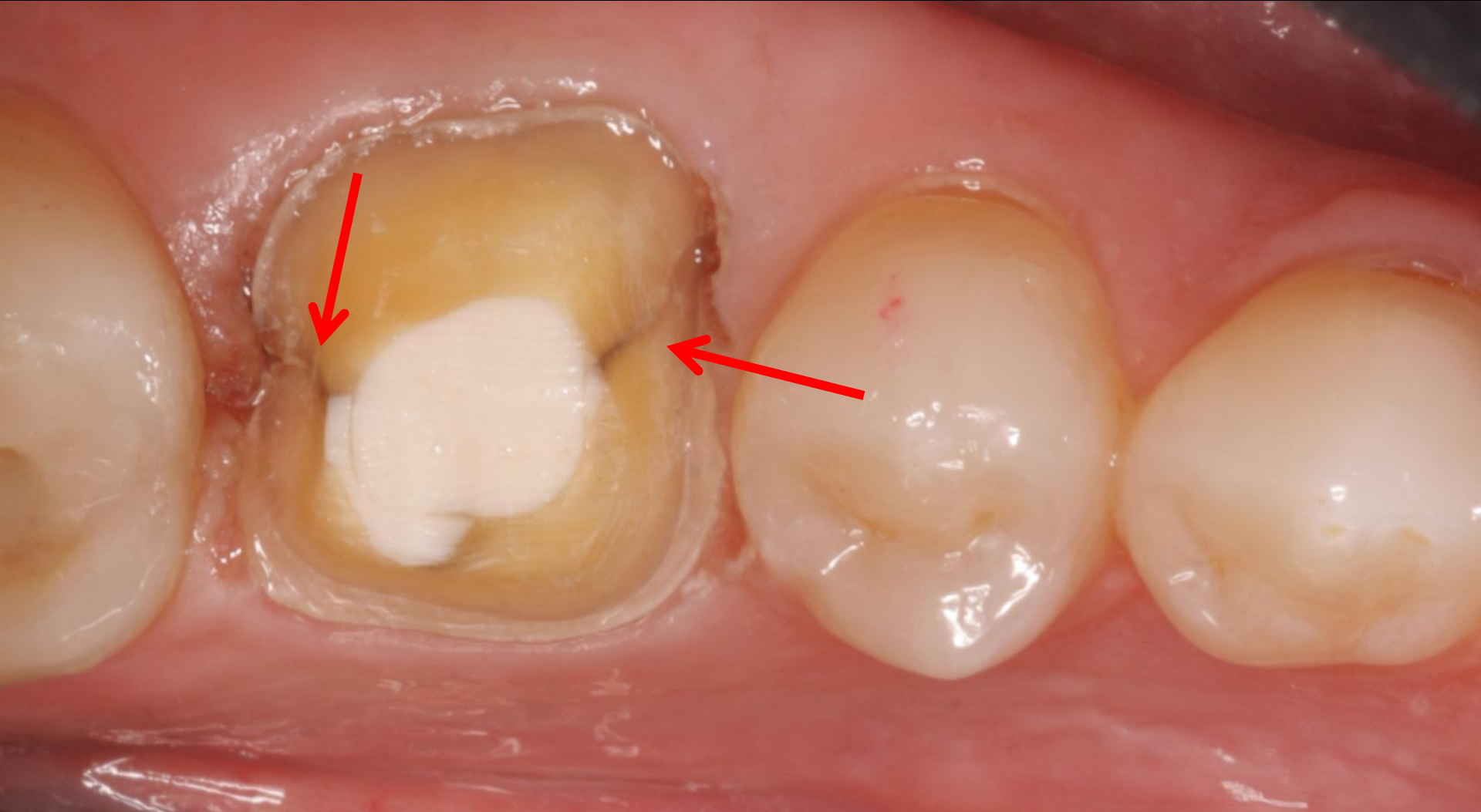
**Infection (black area) actually moved the root of the tooth**



**Root canal treatment is successful  
and infection has cleared up.**

**B**

**Tooth had begun to split and abscessed**





**Infection**

**1 year**

**2 years**

**Infection has cleared up and bone has filled in.**

# TOXIC TOOTH

Must be extracted



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Must be extracted

