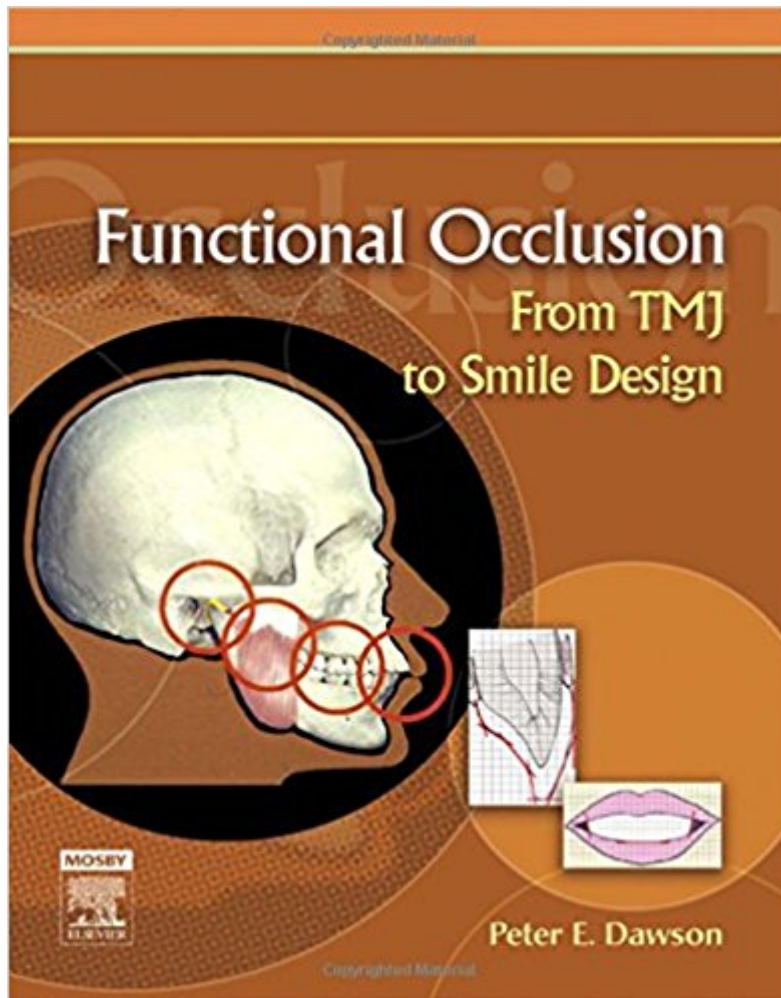


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# Functional Occlusion: From TMJ To Smile Design



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