**Table 2:** Descriptive data of periodontal bone loss in the sample studied reported as the numbera of patients with a regional bone loss.

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|  | **Lupus patients** | **Healthy patients** |
| **Area** | Horizontal bone loss | Vertical bone loss | Horizontal bone loss | Vertical bone loss |
| Anterior inferior | 45 | 2 | 136 | 5 |
| Anterior superior | 26 | 4 | 86 | 10 |
| Posterior superior left | 16 | 9 | 101 | 7 |
| Posterior superior right | 19 | 4 | 93 | 1 |
| Posterior inferior right | 20 | 5 | 105 | 8 |
| Posterior inferior left | 21 | 6 | 114 | 5 |

aThe same patient can have more than one alteration. Patients without any detectable bone loss were not included.