Digital technologies are essential to our practice, and we have never lost sight of the continuing development of CEREC. Even during the early years, we encountered significant hurdles during the implementation of CEREC. This was by no means self-evident and required careful planning and execution. Today, digital technologies are a vital part of our everyday practice. What considerations led up to this?

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   3. Competition in the field of digital technologies, especially CAD/CAM applications, is very intense. Digital impression taking and fabrication of restorations directly in the practice is becoming more and more popular, various manufacturers are taking up this trend. Where does CEREC Primemill fit in with CAD/CAM workflows?

   Our CEREC system enables dentists to treat patients chairside in just a single visit. This only works if they have equipment that can be used to manufacture restorations in a very short time from materials that can safely and permanently remain in the patient's mouth and meet the highest aesthetic standards. Speed is crucial for the treatment. It is clear that patients wish to stay in the practice no longer than necessary, and dentists want to be able to help as many patients as possible in their daily work in an efficient way with an easy-to-use workflow.

   Chairside CAD/CAM, however, means much more than single visit dentistry. The variety of potential applications which CEREC brings to the clinic is immense. Think, for example, of veneers, long-span bridges, but above all the possibilities in implantology: fabrication of surgical guides, abutments and crowns, also for screw retained fixation.

   In this respect, CEREC Primemill plays an outstanding role within the entire chairside workflow, which, along with the CEREC Primescan, the CEREC Software Generation 5 and the CEREC SpeedFire, offers genuine added value as a completely new setup. The initial feedback from users who were able to test CEREC Primemill in advance showed us that they are fascinated and enthusiastic about it.

   4. The CEREC system already included milling machines. How can users who already have a CEREC system benefit from the new features of CEREC Primemill?

   We are very proud that so many dentists today are enthusiastic CEREC users. They are also the ones who help us to advance thanks to their feedback and ideas. Our latest innovations, such as CEREC Primescan and CEREC Primemill, are our responses. CEREC Primemill offers exceptional quality of the restorations, which you will recognize from the very fine marginal integrity, the extremely smooth surface and the fine features. In addition, as already mentioned, there is significant time saving in processing zirconia and very simple operation and CEREC Primemill can be easily integrated into an existing practice setup with just a few adjustments. Another advantage, evident in daily use, is that CEREC Primemill is easy to care for. The touch interface guides the user through the entire workflow, the service protocol Maintenance can therefore be carried out quickly and easily.

   In larger practices, we are observing the trend towards multi-treatment practices – working with more than one milling machine has proven successful. So, all components including CEREC Primescan, the CEREC Software and the CEREC SpeedFire, ensure an outstanding solution that is now available. Ultimately, the system enables the use of state-of-the-art digital technology on a daily basis to make dental practices even more efficient and to achieve the most important goal of all: the ability to treat patients every day consistently with excellent results.

   I am convinced that CEREC users as well as new customers alike will be enthusiastic about CEREC Primemill, especially once they have experienced it in action.