Protect yourself against aerosols

By Designs for Vision Staff

In today’s world, it is especially important to make sure you have the proper eyewear. To that end, Designs for Vision is offering a variety of new product lines. Design for Vision’s new Aerosol Protection Loupes create a seal around your eyes to protect against aerosols. These loupes are available with 2.5x, 3.0x and 3.5x magnifications and come in two frame styles.

The company is also offering the LoupeSaver™ Face Shield. The product is made from optical grade plastic and has a flat panel design that reduces optical aberrations.

The shield can be clipped to loupes, with no headband needed, allowing a headlight to be placed inside or outside original equipment.

In addition to these products, Designs for Vision has launched several new product lines in the past months, including the new patented Panoramic Field Loupes (US pat. 8,928,975B2).

According to the company, the Panoramic Loupes represent the most significant advancement in telescope design in more than 100 years. The viewable areas are twice as large as prismatic expanded-field designed loupes and up to five times greater than Galilean loupes. Panoramic Field Loupes provide unprecedented field of view, clarity, definition and color, the company asserts.

Designs for Vision has also added the Micro 3.0 EF to the award-winning Micro Series Loupes. The Micro 3.0 EF has a field of view of 100 mm and weighs less than 70 grams. The Micro Series also includes REALITY 5 Star rated Micro 3.5 EF Scopes and Micro 4.5 EF Scopes.

These scopes use a revolutionary optical design that reduces the size of the prismatic telescope by 50 percent and reduces the weight by 40 percent while providing an expanded field view of the oral cavity.

If you want the lightest 3.0x magnification, get the new 5.0x Galilean loupes. According to the company, the lightweight Galilean design enables clinicians to step up in magnification while retaining an expansive 70 mm field of view.

Designs for Vision is also introducing patented (US pat. 8,851,709 & RE46,463) hands-free infrared technology with the WireLess IR HDi and the Micro IR HDi headlamps. The patented IR feature enables practitioners to operate a headlight without touching the system. The IR headlights use a built-in infrared sensor to enable the user to turn the light on or off simply and safely, according to the company. Onboard biometrics sense the position of the headlight to filter out unintended signals while working.

Designs for Vision’s WireLess™ headlights free practitioners from being tethered to a battery pack. The modular designs decouple the headlights from a specific frame or single pair of loupes. The compact design of the LED DayLite™ WireLess headlights are independent of any frame/loupes.

You can see the Visible Difference™ yourself by visiting Designs for Vision at www.designsforvision.com. The company is taking appointments for virtual meetings, and you can also find information on selecting an N95 mask that accommodates eyewear as well as nose pad adjustments to fit properly over the mask and information on disinfection procedures for loupes and headlamps.

Pioneers for progress: Benco Dental’s Lucy Hobbs Project honors 6 women

By Benco Dental Staff

Meet the founder of two institutes and a university bachelor’s program, a front runner of advanced dental surgical techniques, an advocate for the oral care of 28,000 children and counting, the mind behind 100-plus medical devices and technology, an engineer of empowerment, and a unifier of oral health and medicine. They are Lucy Hobbs.

Dr. Lucy Hobbs Taylor earned her dental degree in 1866, advancing equality for her gender. She defied nearly a decade of resistance, leading with clinical proficiency and innovative thinking; then she mentored others to do the same. Benco Dental unites women from every sector of the profession through The Lucy Hobbs Project and creates a network that Recognizes, fosters and celebrates that Clinical Expertise award.

For more information
To learn more about the recipients of The Lucy Hobbs Project, visit www.thelucyhobbsproject.com. To learn more about Benco Dental, visit the virtual booth during the ADA FDC Virtual Connect Conference.

Dental’s Lucy Hobbs Project® annually honors women in dentistry who personify that same spirit.

“Each year I am awestruck by the women being considered for this honor. Benco Dental unites women from every sector of the profession through The Lucy Hobbs Project and creates a network that recognizes, fosters and celebrates that excellence,” said Lindsay Pross, events and marketing operations manager.

The six Lucy Hobbs Project Award recipients for 2020 will be featured in the Incisal Edge magazine winter issue and invited to participate in the new Driving Dentistry Forward podcast. They are:

- Bella Christensen, PhD, recipient of the Industry Icon award.
- Sarah Khan, DMD, recipient of the Clinical Expertise award.
- Nicole McGrath-Barnes, DDS, FACD, recipient of the Humanitarian award.
- Carolyn Primus, PhD, recipient of the Innovator award.
- Stephanie Goddard, MS, recipient of the Mentor award.
- Lisa Simon, MD, DMD, recipient of the Woman to Watch award.