Mr Artio™ “Tools for a True Artist”

Mr. Artio™ – he is light and agile with an ergonomic grip and super strong tips, the DENTSPLY team often wonder how they would cope without him. He simply loves creating works of art with his DENTSPLY restorative friends!

DENTSPLY’s Indirect Restorative Team understand that crown & bridge restorations are amongst the most demanding procedures carried out by a dentist, with high expectations from their patients. DENTSPLY’s quality, branded products fit each step of this procedure, making it quicker and easier to ensure an accurate, long lasting restoration and help you to “get it right first time”.

Restorative Hand Instruments with Mr Artio™ “Tools for a True Artist”

For more information, please contact your local DENTSPLY Product Specialist on: +44 (0)800 072 5515 or visit our website: www.dentsply.co.uk

Perfect Grip from Bien-Air

Bien-Air’s DIAMLINE instruments offer you excellent hand grip due to the patented, high tech diamond powder surface treatment.

DIAMLINE handpieces allow for precision treatments with reduced effort and tension on your part combined with less hand fatigue, allowing you to work more efficiently. Clinical tests have proved that the high tech coating increases the life of your instrument’s surface by 5 times more than the coatings currently used. These investigations have shown that DIAMLINE instruments showed no wear after more than 50,000 friction cycles meaning that your instruments will last longer ultimately keeping costs down.

These contra-angle handpieces offer maximum power at both high and low speeds, particularly when combined with the MX motor from Bien-Air. With 5 contra-angle handpieces and a straight handpiece in the range of DIAMLINE instruments you will find that these instruments cover the full range of clinical applications.

For further information please contact Bien-Air on 01356 715 505 or visit www.bienair.com

A single use instrument at an affordable price

Decommission of instruments is a complex process that involves several stages, including cleaning, disinfection, inspection and sterilisation, as outlined in the Government decommission guidelines HTM 01-05.

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The final accolade for Top Resin Cement was given to the Ivoclar Vivadent Multilink Automix. The high, immediate bond offers many benefits, as it bonds fast and is easy to apply creating a strong link to all types of restorative materials.

Darryl Muff, General Manager, Ivoclar Vivadent UK comments, “it is so rewarding for the entire team to receive such prestigious recognition and these awards reflect the quality incorporated into the design and innovation across our product portfolios.”

Preparation with Mrs. Hi-Di® Diamond Burs

Mrs. Hi-Di® is well-received – with her years of experience, she is a key asset to the team. Her multiple layers of diamond grit mean that she is reliable & durable and always runs true. She ensures most clinical situations are met with her various patterns and she’s always kind to your handpieces.

Why buy other brands, when Mrs Hi-Di can offer you assurance with high quality – Diamonds are a Bur’s best friend!

Design and Functionality: Celaxul 2

The Celaxul 2 is a high performance, light-curing device offering an especially high intensity of blue light. With an average light output of 1000 mW/cm², the Celaxul 2 is ideally suited for use on restorations with all composite materials, bonds and light-curing cements.

‘Top Products’ recognition for Ivoclar Vivadent

Leading ceramic specialists Ivoclar Vivadent has gained prestigious recognition regarding a number of products in the range.

Shofu manufacture an extensive range of abrasives, to suit your every need be it contouring, polishing or finishing your restorations. The company have produced a very useful catalogue on the range, which allows you to see at a glance the most appropriate rotary instrument for the job in hand.

Within the range are Dura-Green stones. These are made from silicon carbide grit for fast contouring and finishing of porcelain, composite precious alloys and amalgam; Dura-White stones for finishing enamel, glass ionomer cements, composite and porcelain; Brownie, Greemie and Super-greemie silicone polishers for fast, brilliant polishing on precious metals and amalgam; and the Snap-Snap finishing and polishing disc system for all microfilled and hybrid composite fillings. One Gloss unique one-step finisher and polisher can be used to finish and polish all composites restorations simply by altering the contact pressure on the restoration, without having to change instrument.

To see what you can accomplish with Shofu’s polishers and to claim your free trial pack of One Gloss please call Shofu on 01022 870000. Free trial pack stocks are limited!

For the first time there will also be two day-long programmes for orthodontic nurses and technicians run in parallel to the main Conference.

Navigating the social events promises to be equally challenging with a gala drinks reception, a banquet, a sports programme including golf, tennis and football as well as a site-seeing programme for accompanying guests because all work and no play...

The Conference takes place between 13-15 September 2009 and the pre-conference course is held on 12 September. Canny orthodontists, dentists with a special interest in orthodontics, nurses and technicians will want to register early to ensure their places by visiting www.bos.org.uk

The new high performance LED polymerisation device from VOCO

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Industry News

Design and Functionality

Functionality and design have been perfectly united with the configuration of the Celaxul 2. The hand piece is ergonomically shaped and constructed from anodised aluminium. With its rounded-off surface and extremely light weight of only 160 grams, the Celaxul 2 feels at home in the hand and provides excellent handling. The adherence and breeding of microorganisms on the hand piece are significantly impeded by lack of...
openings and recesses. In combination with disinfection that is quick and thorough, use of the Celatax 2 leads to safe, hygienic protection from contamination for the staff and patients.

Manufacturer: VOGO GmbH, PO Box 767, 27457 Cuxhaven, Germany, www.vogo.com

750th Aquacut Quattro Installed

Bexleyheath, in Kent, is now firmly on the map as far as Fluid Abrasion is concerned! The 750th Velopex Aquacut Quattro has been installed at Dr H. Shaffie’s busy practice, in The Broadway, Bexleyheath. This light and airy building provides a superb backdrop for this busy dental practice - which now offers all patients the availability of fluid abrasion: Cleaning and Treating, in a calm soothing environment. Dr Shaffie commented: “I’ve got the Velopex Colour Laser as well as the Aquacut Quattro – it’s great! It’s an essential part of modern technology in a modern practice!”

Patient feedback continues to be very positive with many patients commenting on the unit. The Aquacut had one lady patient saying: “It’s wonderful not having the dental version of a road drill in your mouth when you need a filling!” Another delighted patient stated: “With this you don’t feel much except a splash of water on your tooth. It’s a pleasure having treatment!”

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Infected with common sense

CODE, the Association for Dental Practice has just launched an Infection Prevention Kit to make it easy as possible for all dentists to comply with the new decontamination guideline HTM 01-05 from the Department of Health.

The CODE Infection Prevention Kit is a collection of practical tools, which distil the new guidance and break it down into sections to make compliance with all aspects of cross infection control, sterilisation and decontamination manageable.

The kit is provided free to CODE members and is available to non-members as a stand-alone product for £50 (incl. VAT). Those who purchase the kit have the opportunity to discover the benefits of CODE membership at a reduced price by paying a further £195 to access all the other £50 CODE modules without having to find the usual joining fee.

Sponsored by the Dental Directory, the CODE Infection Prevention Kit contains a companion catalogue with a useful range of equipment and products.

You can read more about the kit and watch videos at www.CODEuk.com/prevention

Mem-Lok Resorbable Collagen Membrane: Easy Handling, Long Lasting

BioHorizons are pleased to introduce Mem-Lok, a new resorbable collagen membrane, to the UK Dental market. Mem-Lok is a Type I collagen matrix that hinders epithelium down growth and prevents connective tissue cell migration. Derived from bovine achilles tendon, this permeable membrane offers high mechanical strength. Mem-Lok has an optimised balance of flexibility and rigidity and a macromolecular pore size that allows nutrient transfer into the wound site.

Mem-Lok is easy to use and adaptable to various deficiencies, and it also demonstrates a predictable resorption rate of 26-28 weeks*. This illustrates a market leading resorbable collagen membrane, producing great results for dentist and patient.

BioHorizons are the exclusive UK distributors of Mem-Lok. For more information on Mem-Lok and the BioHorizons product range and courses please contact the office on 01544 752360, email info@biohorizons.com or visit our website at www.biohorizons.com.

Extra Revenue Stream

Ever thought how you might expand the range of services you offer or would you rather not be bothered about considering facial aesthetics? After all, your knowledge of head and neck anatomy is second to none and even in the current economic climate this market is expected to grow 20-30% in 2009. Historically, this industry is not well regulated and advancing knowledge in such treatments being offered by a dentist or doctor.

Getting started is easy. All you need to do is undertake specialist training to be recognised as a provider in order to gain the appropriate insurance. Med-Fx Training is one such supplier who offers courses in one of five locations – London, Manchester, Newcastle, Birmingham and Glasgow. Their courses are conducted by experienced trainers all of whom routinely practice facial aesthetics alongside either dentistry or medicine. All Med-Fx Training courses are certified, supported and recognised by the manufacturers of the treatments offered.

If you wish to register for a course, or to find out more about the treatments, please visit www.medfxtraining.co.uk.

Oral-B help promote the patient-centred practice

Oral-B aims to help dental practices plan ahead as we move into changing times in oral care.

Oral-B believes that patients will increasingly look to dentists to advise on, and provide, oral health and prevention rather than treatment and repair. Spending on dentistry is likely to become more discretionary as a result because it will be competing with other health and leisure choices.

The result will be patients who expect evidence-based care, which is in line with patient preferences. What benefits of Oral-B’s oscillating-rotating power toothbrush technology and look towards a more service-oriented approach. Consequently, practices will have to change emphasis to look to not only at retaining patients but also hand-holding new ones. Asking questions such as what can our practice offer that a neighbouring one does not?

Building on a foundation of patient loyalty by providing reliable and demonstrable advice helps to develop good trusting relationships which are paramount to patients’ oral health. Committed to finding the evidence-based solutions for both dental professionals and their patients, Oral-B will continue to support the best in dental practice development.

For further information ask your local Minerva Representative or telephone 029 20 442800.

The Instrument of Choice for You

Dentafix are proud to announce the addition of a new instrument range to their ever expanding portfolio. The Nova Resin Handle instruments are made and finished in the UK by skilled craftsmen to exceptionally high standards at economical prices.

These instruments are manufactured using a colour stable, autoclavable resin material, available in 7 pastel colours, which are combined with working ends manufactured from either T505, 440a or 440c grade stainless steel depending on the type of instrument. Manufactured from high quality stainless steel these instruments are incredibly strong and resistant to wear meaning they will remain sharper for longer saving you time and money.

This broad range of coloured handles allows you to easily identify the instrument you need. The instruments are completely scratch resistant and will look good even after repeated sterilisation due to the stable resin colour. With a choice of over 150 patterns to choose from, ranging from fine probes to excavators to scalars, there is no choice but Nova Resin Handle Instruments!

For further information please contact Dentafix on (0044) 1276 691 821 or visit nova-instruments.com.

Epicrem: Breaking down the barriers to softer hands

Epicrem is designed specifically to meet the hand care needs of dentists, hygienists and nurses in daily dental practice. Its non- greasy formulation replenishes moisture lost through hands washing and provides a barrier to lock in moisture; also protecting against the irritation that may be caused by surgical gloves.

Hypoallergenic Epicrem leaves hands feeling soft and fresh and delicately perfumed. It can be economically supplied in a pack of 6 x 100g tubes for easy distribution into each surgery.

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Friadent puts fizzle into implant dentistry

Many of Britain’s most successful implant dentists joined DENTSPLY Friadent and DJ Frankie for a spa relaxation quiz to this year’s Congress of the Association of Dental Implantology UK. Delegates were keen to get involved with the new dentists’ implants referral campaign and the acclaimed Dental Implant Skills Development Programme. Product inventions which attracted a great deal of interest included ANKYLOS® C/A, with the unique indexing option and Xive 5.0, one of the world’s narrowest implants.

ANKYLOS® C/A Tissue Care Connection plus the option of indexing Xive 5.0, extending the boundaries of implant dentistry.
EAPD Agree on updated Fluoride Guidelines

The European Academy of Paediatric Dentistry (EAPD) convened in Athens in November 2008 to agree guidelines on the use of fluoride in children. Paediatric experts from 25 European countries attended the workshop that was generously sponsored by P&G. The proposed guidelines were approved unanimously by the EAPD Board and Council during their annual meeting in Helsinki on May 14-16th, following a 6 months discussion in order to achieve the highest level of consensus. The updated guidelines will appear shortly in the Academy’s site (eapd.ag) and will be published in the Academy’s official journal, European Archives of Paediatric Dentistry.

The EAPD also advocated the following recommendations to prevent the onset of Early Childhood Caries (ECC) as seen at www.eapd.org/Guidelines/in dex.htm. Firstly, an oral health assessment should take place in the first year of a child’s life. Secondly, an infant’s teeth should be brushed daily with a smear of fluoride toothpaste from the moment they erupt. Thirdly, professional application of fluoride varnish is recommended for primary dentition for those at high risk of Early Childhood Caries (ECC).

Spring Forward
Céad mile fáilte go mbaile Atha Cliath!

Unusually, the weather was not as welcoming as the people, with grey skies and rain predominating. However, this wasn’t enough to dampen the spirits of the avid golfers who arrived a day early to play the famous K Club – one of the finest Championship courses in Europe.

Golf Match 2009

DGS Golf Champs Annual Brüggen Tri-Service

The 24th Annual DGS Annu al Tri-Service Golf Match – Brüggen took place on April 17th at the West Rhine Golf Club, Javelin Barracks.

The advantages of composite and glass ionomer in one product

Ionolux – Simply twice as good

Ionolux is a light-curing, glass ionomer restorative that combines the advantages of glass ionomer cement and composite. Ionolux is available in the natural VITA® shades of A1, A2 and A3. Ionolux is characterised by a long working time, which can be individually controlled with the light-curing lamp. Ionolux permits quick application, has excellent mechanical properties, does not stick to the instrument and allows outstanding adaptation to the cavity walls. Conditioning the tooth substance before placing a filling with Ionolux just is as necessary as the use of a varnish. The polymerisation time of 20 seconds per layer is short and practice-oriented. Ionolux is simple to finish and compatible and it releases fluoride. The combined advantages of GIC and composite are simple to use with Ionolux: Fill, polymerise, polish, finished!

Manufacturer: VOCO Gmbh, PO Box 767, 27457 Cuxhaven, Germany, www.voco.com

Proven Long-Term Clinical Efficacy!

TiUnite®

Nobel Biocare’s proprietary titanium oxide implant surface TiUnite® is the best-documented modern osseointegration implant surface on the market and is supported by long-term clinical data.

The market leader for dental innovations based on clinical research, Nobel Biocare is celebrating the success of TiUnite®, now in its tenth year. The moderately rough surface of TiUnite® enhances the speed at which implants osseointegrate and as a result, the time at risk for implant failure is dramatically reduced during the critical first three months of healing.

At the 2009 Academy of Osseointegration Annual Meeting in San Diego, Dr. Roland Glauser presented long-term clinical data confirming the success of TiUnite®.

Manufactured from commercially pure (CP) titanium TiUnite®. In spite of evidence that new titanium-zirconium alloy TiUnite® is more resistant than other CP titanium implants, Nobel Biocare’s cold worked products remain the strongest option and preclude the need to add potentially toxic materials.

For more information visit www.nobelbiocare.com or call: +44 (0) 1957 452 921

Waterpik® Dental Water Jet

Waterpik® Dental Water Jet can be the first of many to come. Many of Britain’s most successful implant dentists joined DENTSPLY Friadent for a yearlong celebration during this year’s ADI Congress.

For your professional courtesy discount on the Waterpik® Dental Water Jets speak to your wholesaler or visit www.waterpik.co.uk. The product is currently only available in Boots stores.