Calling All EXACT Users!

If you’re using or thinking of using Software of Excellence’s EXACT system, then you should be attending the annual SOE NUG User Day Conference, taking place on the 7th November 2008 at the East Midlands Conference Centre in Nottingham.

Delegates will be able to gain an insight into the most up-to-date SOE developments, learn how to get the most out of their system and meet our friendly team to ask questions and watch demonstrations featuring the unveiling of new and exciting EXACT features, training workshops, a support cyber cafe, industry guest speakers including Ashley Latter, plus much more – this is the perfect event for all your EXACT needs.

Costing only £100 per delegate (3 delegates for £250) and open to both SOE NUG members and non-members, this conference is not to be missed by anyone eager to see the latest innovations that EXACT has to offer.

For more information contact Sirona UK direct on 01795 770256 or visit our website www.kemdental.co.uk.

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Kemdent customers require high quality, value for money products. Kemdent pride themselves on a range of cross infection control products which have no overpowering odour, are safe and pleasant to use, are gentle on the user but above all powerful against harmful bacteria.

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P&G Professional Oral Health

Oral-B products are based on sound evidence-based research therefore it is only logical that P&G want to assist the profession in meeting their CPD requirement, so that dental professionals may make evidence-based decisions in practice that better serve the patient. P&G offers various complementary means to gain verifiable CPD. For example, Oral-B’s Dental Summary Review (DSR), is produced twice a year and contains a mix of summaries culled from recently published research papers from which recipients can gain three hours of free, verifiable CPD. The company has also produced a DCP version as it recognises that dental nurses’ role in preventive practice.

The Company is also committed to supporting oral health education and produces a range of free literature covering both manual and powered brushing techniques as well as floss usage. Please call the P&G Helpline for more details (0870 2421850).

The main focus at this year’s Showcase was Triumph Smart-Guide, a power brush whose breakthrough technology goes beyond clinical superiority to tackle the challenging issue of compliance.

Takara Belmont

This year’s Dental Showcase really gave Takara Belmont the chance to ‘Excel’ and profile their complete range of equipment. The company offers a choice of chairs and treatment centres to meet every individual requirement. All equipment has been designed for reliability and durability as well as a variety of build in options. One feature that impressed many visitors was the newly launched luxurious ‘soft touch’ upholstery, which ensures patients are as relaxed and comfortable as possible. Not only is this new range of upholstery ultra soft, it’s also available in over 50 different colours, which further extends Belmont’s vast upholstery selection.

Good looks are irrelevant if they do not go hand in hand with reliability and functionality. The team at Showcase were able to demonstrate both, and interested parties were invited to view the Company’s equipment first hand at their dental showroom without obligation. No pressure, no obligation, just honest advice. If you weren’t able to get to Excel and would like to experience the equipment for yourself please contact Lucy Moscrop (020 7515 0355, dental@takara.co.uk).

Surgery design and equipment

Clark Dental has over 50 years of experience in surgery design and equipment
Periostat®

Oraldent, the family-run preventative oral care product specialist, is proud to be the UK distributor of Periostat®, a prescription-only film-coated tablet for the treatment of chronic periodontitis.

The underlying risk factors of periodontitis exacerbate the action of tissue-destroying enzymes primarily responsible for destruction of the periodontium, potentially leading to attachment loss, bone or tooth loss.

With a sub-antimicrobial dose of 20mg doxycycline, Periostat® helps to inhibit harmful collagenases that damage tooth attachment structures. It can even reverse the disease process.

Specifically formulated to suppress the enzymes that are primarily responsible for damaging the periodontium, Periostat® has been designed to be taken twice a day as an adjunct to scaling and root planning with the duration of treatment recommended to last at least three months.

It was apparent from the moment the show opened its doors, that it was not only the innovative features of Little Sister auto-claves and instrument washer disinfectors that impressed visitors, but the fact that Eschmann can offer their customers a level of competence and peace of mind, both in the products and ongoing care provided as a matter of course. Today’s image is that of a company leading the way in today’s dental marketplace.

Of even greater importance was the message being received as to the importance the dentists were placing on the value of the comprehensive help and advice Eschmann are able to provide, particularly in respect of compliance to the new dental guidance document HTM 01-05. An example of this was how to implement an effective ‘flow process’ for instrument decontamination with the confines of the technology and equipment, providing a comprehensive service from preliminary planning to working closely with dentists to establish the best working environments that are sustainable in terms of cost, design and equipment, providing working environments that meet the latest regulations and guidelines.

Enzycal remineralises by using the body’s defences

In the fight against enamel demineralisation, Enzycal helps strengthen and repair the enamel’s mineral structure. Enzycal strengthens the enamel and prevents caries, by remodelling the enamel’s mineral structure and also helping to bring back their natural whiteness.

Enzycal Face to Face

Enzycal is a novel toothpaste with a mission: to recruit all caries-prone adults and children to use Enzycal instead of their current fluoride-containing toothpaste.

Enzycal targets the plaque-forming bacterial biofilm in the mouth, remineralising the tooth’s enamel mineral. Enzycal is SLS free.

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He comments, ‘I was attracted by Astra Tech Dental’s many reasons, the profile of the company is more important to me than others. The strong Astra Tech brand has been the ‘gold standard for many dental practitioners and its sales@clark-dental.co.uk www.dentalcare.co.uk

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processed by the tongue. Xerostomia is defined as dry mouth resulting from reduced or absent amounts of saliva and may either occur as a disease, rather a symptom of a variety of health conditions or a side effect brought on by medical treatment. The condition may be a sign of an underlying disease, such as Sjögren’s syn- drome or poorly controlled dia- betes and other causes of insuf- ficient saliva include anxiety, medications, smoking, alcohol consump- tion of alcoholic beverages, physical trauma to the salivary glands, their ducts or nerves, excessive breathing through the mouth or radiation therapy to the head and neck. Patients who have endured chemothera- py usually suffer from the con- dition. The main treatment con- dition may also come about as a result of ageing and it is thought that about 20% of the elderly will suffer Xerostomia to some degree. Xerostomia is a common side-effect of various drugs, such as cannabis, am- phetamines, antihistamines and some antidepressants.

Treatment for Xerostomia involves finding and treating any curable causes or conditions. However even in many cases it is not pos- sible to correct the Xerostomia itself. Smoking is a sure way of relief the symptoms and preventing damage to the gums and teeth. So patients with Xero- stomia are advised to avoid the use of de-congestants and antihistamines and pay careful attention to their oral hygiene. Drinking water may bring little relief and can even make the dry mouth more uncomfortable however frequently sipping sugarless beverages, chewing xylitol or using saliva substitutes as a mouthwash have been found to help.

Dr Ian Wilson commented: “The Donation of the Veloped Aquacoat ‘Quatro’ allows us to provide our patients with a mixture of non-invasive treatments. Using the Fluid Abrasion technique with the very latest in Quadro, our patients have access to conser- vative techniques where mini- mal tooth tissue removal is avoidable!”

The Veloped Aquacoat Quatro contains two chambers, which can accommodate any combination of the 5 Cleaning and Treating media available. The 1µp Treatment powder al- lows the clinician to ablate hard tissue (Composite, enamel and dentine) creating a relatively flat surface which is ideal for the latest bonding and restorative mate- rials. The 10µp Treating powder gives the clinician a much smoother cut for finer work. For Cleaning, the Bicarbonate of Soda allows smoking stains to be removed as well as vari- ous dentine. The combination of these powders, in a single unit, provides the modern den- tal practice with a unit that can cover a wide range of dental treatment applications. Dr Wil- son is excited about this devel- opment. “I’ve always been a fan of equipment we can clean, dry and polish or cut! It’s invaluable in the adhesive techniques we use.”

For more information or to ask any questions, please con- tact: Mark Chapman Atkinson+ sunrise Instruments Ltd Barretts Green Road LONDON NW9 1AP Tel 07753 498877 Bridge2Aid can be contacted via their website here: www.brooke.bridge2aid.org

Oral probiotic found to help Xerostomia symptoms

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One even felt moved to com- ment “I found the previous Soni- care great but this one is amaz- ing, my teeth have never felt so clean and it is even better on staining. I would recommend it to anyone.”

At the end of the 28 day evalu- ation, 82% stated they would recommend FlexCare to their colleagues or patients, 77% were completely satisfied with their FlexCare, 93% stated they preferred FlexCare over the brush they used most often before.

Philips is now inviting new trialers to come forward to try the FlexCare – you can fill in the attached survey and return by phone 07734 044877.