Implants featured at Chicago Midwinter

Dozens of implant companies brought new and innovative products to the Chicago Midwinter meeting in February. Below, Harrison Song, left, and James Lee of Hiossen. Photos/Sierra Rendon, Managing Editor, and FredMichmershuizen, Dental Tribune

Annual February show is a must for launching new products in the dental implant industry

Hundreds of companies, including a bevy of implant companies, headed to the Chicago Midwinter Meeting to present the latest and greatest in products and technology. Nearly 30,000 dentists, hygienists, dental students and others attended the 148th annual meeting, presented by the Chicago Dental Society, at the McCormick Place West Building in Chicago.

The next Chicago Midwinter Meeting will take place Feb. 20-22, 2014. Mark your calendars now! For more photos, see page B8.

Product review

Using SonicPin Rx

Dissolving the need for metal fixation screws in implant site development

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In this ever evolving age of dental technology, the practice area of implant site development has benefitted from a technologic innovation and a new era of resorbable fixation devices and membranes. Traditionally, various metal fixation screws have been utilized for stabilization with the primary drawback being the need for eventual reentry for removal. Now, the necessitation of fixation device removal has been eliminated with the introduction of the SonicWeld Rx™ system of resorbable fixation devices and membranes.

A 42-year-old male presented with a significant buccal osseous defect resulting from the long-standing loss of the maxillary right first premolar (Fig. 1). A single tooth implant-supported restoration was planned.

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