How’s your armamentarium?

One thing I find exciting about the specialty is the ever-expanding universe of tools and equipment available to practitioners. When it comes to beefing up one’s armamentarium, there’s no better place to go than a major dental meeting. From the latest files to the most innovative irrigation systems and beyond, it seems there is always plenty to see and learn about at events such as the AAE and ADA annual sessions or the Greater New York Dental Meeting.

Perhaps you picked up this copy of roots at one of these meetings.

That’s good, because in this issue you can read about how many of these specialized tools can be used in clinical endodontic practice. Dr. Gary Glassman reports on the use of mineral trioxide aggregate (MTA), which he says can “seal the pathway of communication” between the root canal system and the surrounding tissues. Dr. L. Stephen Buchanan explains why his trusted electronic apex locator is the “most indispensable” device he uses. Dr. John J. Stropko writes about his invention, the Stropko Irrigator, which he designed to help make procedures easier by maintaining a clean field of vision.

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I know that taking time away from your practice to pursue C.E. credits is costly in terms of lost revenue and time, and that is another reason roots is such a valuable publication. I hope you will enjoy this issue and that you will take advantage of the C.E. opportunity.

For those of you attending the fall meetings in New Orleans and New York City, be sure to say hello to me in person. As always, I welcome your comments and feedback.

Sincerely,

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