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Colour coded handles

Periodontal instruments from Paradise Dental Technologies are now available in the UK.

Made from stainless steel, they have colour coded handles and a grip designed to enhance tactile sensitivity and help maintain control even when wet which can reduce hand fatigue, according to the manufacturers.

Also available is the Ultimate Edge sharpening system. Both products are available from Swallow Dental Supplies.

Reader response number 50



Latest addition to equipment range



The newly launched A-dec 500 is the latest addition to A-dec United Kingdom's range of dental equipment.

The company claims that the slim-profile headrest and ultra-thin backrest provides more legroom and the anatomically

formed backrest and seat cushion cradle patients by reducing pressure points and providing support. It is offered in a choice of seamless or sewn upholstery styles and a total of 24 colours options.

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New instruments

Minerva Dental have added Codent Hand Instruments to their range. The line includes scalers, probes, plastic filling instruments, excavators, spatulas, carvers, mouth mirrors and handles.

In addition, the company also supplies a wide range of Codent products comprising of green ear loop and tie-on face masks, dust free alginate, impression trays, hold adhesive, orange solvent, mouthwash tablets, cotton pellets and endodontic accessories.

Reader response number 51



New filter unit launched



Swedish manufacturer Fumex AB has launched a new medical certified filter unit. The LF70 has been designed with the aim of minimum noise level without compromising air capacity.

It features an air capacity of 70 litres per minute, and according to its manufacturers, typical applications would include laser surgery odours and fumes and dental treatment. The unit can be pre-programmed with data on the solvent adsorption, giving filter life indication.

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Water testing offer

Alkapharm is offering dentists the opportunity to test the level of contamination in the water dispensed at their chair-sides (before and after cleaning) free of charge, with every purchase of one pot of Alkazyme-W. The combined cleaning and disinfection agent is for use in the routine decontamination of chair-side integral water supply units.

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Plaque removal



German manufacturer Sirona Dental Systems has introduced a new air abrasive prophylactic tool for

the removal of plaque, calculus and discolouration from tooth surfaces, including fissures.

ProSmile Handy offers the possibility of interchangeable handpieces that gives a 90° or 120° spray angulation and uses a mint flavoured prophylactic powder.

The product comes with the Click and Go facility that enables it to fit the handpiece couplings of most popular brands

Reader response number 55

Treating periodontal disease



General Medical have launched the new Helbo Antimicrobial Photodynamic Therapy System, for long-term treatment of chronic periodontal disease. According to the company, it combines a photodynamic dye with laser technology, which destroys

pathogenic bacteria in the biofilm and shifts the balance between anaerobic pathogenic bacteria and aerobic healthy bacteria in favour of a healthy, pain free periodontal status.

Reader response number 57

Cleaning appliances

Bony Plus Junior Tablets from 4Square Healthcare are orthodontic appliance cleansers for retainers, nightguards, mouthguards and other removable appliances.

The strong bactericidal effect can clean and brighten all parts of the appliance and leave a minty flavour, according to 4Square Healthcare. It is available in packs of 40 tablets and one toothbrush.

The tablets can also be used with the DBO Sonic Cleaner which applies sonic waves to clean the appliance in three to five minutes.

It requires two AA batteries and comes with a six month full replacement guarantee.

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Oral antiseptic cleanser



Colgate Peroxyl is a ready mixed mint flavoured oral antiseptic cleanser, containing hydrogen peroxide 1.5%w/v.

Colgate claims it can be used in the surgery after dental surgery treatments to flush away debris and patients can also use it at home for the relief of minor mouth and gum irritations, including ulcers, cheek bites, burns, soreness and gum inflammation. It can also ease discomfort caused by dentures and orthodontic appliances.

Reader response number 58



Larger than life

The SDI Demonstrator Model and Toothbrush are larger than life replicas that enable chair-side instruction and demonstration of tooth brushing techniques, according to Trycare Ltd.

Manufactured in plastic, it comprises of an hinged upper and lower and a toothbrush.

Reader response number 59



Relief from discomfort



Bonjela can relieve discomfort and pain of mouth ulcers and sores caused by orthodontic devices, the company claims.

It contains the local analgesic and anti-inflammatory agent choline salicylate to help relieve pain.

It also features an anti-bacterial agent, cetalkonium chloride, to help fight infection and aid absorption of active ingredients into inflamed areas.

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Caries risk test kit launched

Ivoclar Vivadent's Caries Risk Test seeks to quantify the levels of bacteria as well as the buffer and demineralisation strength of saliva, in order to give an assessment of risk of susceptibility to caries.

Results from the test are available in forty-eight hours and it also checks both the streptococci and lactobacilli counts, via dip slides and test strips.

In addition, a range of educational literature is available which includes a flow-chart, treatment diagrams and booklets which can help to increase patient awareness.

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Dual action

The new Beverly Hills Formula pump dispenser from Purity Laboratories features two products combined in one dispenser. The range includes a total protection and a sensitive formula.

The whitening power of Total Protection Toothpaste has been combined with the Beverly Hills Formula antiseptic mouthrinse to produce one dual-action anti-bacterial product.

It contains three anti-bacterial agents, fluoride, triclosan and xylitol.

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Gentle on gums

Tess Toothbrushes from Trycare Ltd are gentle on the gums yet bundled closely to be firm enough to penetrate the gingival sulcus and remove plaque, according to the company.

The range includes brushes which feature 0.007" rounded bristles, and are available in adult or junior sizes.

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Plaque awareness



The Ivoclar Vivadent Plaque Test demonstrates problem areas when applied to patients' teeth.

Plaque can be clearly seen on the surfaces of the teeth with the aid of a polymerisation lamp which highlights it in a bright fluorescent colour. Brushing or professional cleaning can then remove the plaque, showing the results.

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