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This year is a big celebration for us! As we look back on all of the wonderful products we have had the privilege to evaluate, many companies and products have stood the test of time. Equally exciting are the number of new and innovative derivations of dentistry.

Our awards and preferred products are some of the most sought after in the industry, due to our clinical evaluation combined with lab testing. Every day of every year, our clinical consultants are the people who provide us with valuable feedback from the field. I could not speak and educate without using these products myself. When I can combine the feedback from dental assistants, hygienists, laboratory technicians, and our awesome team at the DENTAL ADVISOR, I am so confident in our results.

Many people ask if our awards are purchased or sponsored, and whether people buy their way in to make the list. The answer is no. Our awards are provided to companies that have their products evaluated by our group of consultants (also unpaid), in our laboratories, and follow them over the long term.

We look forward to providing this information for another 35 years or more. Endless thanks to our team and industry customers for continuing to generate excitement for us to keep doing what we are doing. Thank you for your continued support, and as always, your comments and suggestions are always welcomed; you can reach me at drbunek@dentaladvisor.com.

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CATEGORY: PREPARATION

ANESTHETIC BUFFERING SYSTEM

Anutra Local Anesthetic Delivery System
(Anutra Medical)

Why we chose this product:

This anesthetic buffering system allows a clinician to immediately begin treatment as opposed to waiting for anesthesia to take effect. Multiple patients can be treated with single-use syringes, using pH buffering solution stored in a tank.

Consultants' Comments:

- "I like being able to dispense the amount of anesthesia I need for each procedure into one syringe."
- "I love this product; we achieved a profound mandibular block in 56 seconds."
- "Buffering anesthetic saves time and patients had no discomfort."



CARBIDE BURS: SINGLE-USE

SINGLES
(Meisinger USA)



Why we chose this product:

SINGLES by Meisinger are packaged in pre-sterilized, easy-to-open packets that allow visual identification and ensure a new bur for each patient use.

Consultants' Comments:

- "They cut incredibly fast and efficiently."
- "Easy to identify for set up, and they are pre-sterilized."
- "**SINGLES** by Meisinger have converted me to single-use burs."

HANDPIECE: ELECTRIC

iOptima
(Bien-Air)

Why we chose this product:

The **iOptima** is based on a unique technology which allows the electric handpiece to be controlled by an iOS app. The **MX2 Micromotor** is lightweight, short and provides excellent balance in hand.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The pre-programmed settings make this system unique and user friendly."
- "Handpiece runs quietly and smoothly."
- "Illumination was super – very bright."



CARBIDE BURS: MULTI-USE

Alpen® Speedster®
(Coltene Whaledent, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

When tested clinically and in our laboratories, **Alpen Speedster** cut faster over repeated use than other burs tested.

Consultants' Comments:

- "These burs made such a dramatic difference – great cutting efficiency."
- "Fast, smooth and vibration-free – minimal chatter."
- "Durable – did not break during use and stood up to autoclaving well."



HANDPIECE: AIR-DRIVEN

Tornado
(Bien-Air)



Why we chose this product:

Tornado is a high torque handpiece with unique technologies: a vibration-canceling bur-retention mechanism, a patented anti-heating feature designed to maintain the instrument's head at a safe temperature, and 30 watts of power.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Really good power and torque."
- "Quieter than my usual handpieces."
- "The **Tornado** is a workhorse."



INNOVATIVE DESIGN

AVID Fit® Hygiene System
(AVID Dental)



Why we chose this product:

A truly innovative design, **AVID Fit Hygiene System** is the only adjustable and tilting nose cone on the market. The handpiece has a full 360 degree swivel and the nose cone can be tilted up to 20 degrees in any direction. This improves access to hard-to-reach areas while encouraging a neutral hand position.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The adjustable nose cone was good for easier access to difficult-to-reach areas."
- "I like that I can keep my hand in a neutral position – the handpiece moves to different angles."
- "I like that the handpiece is lightweight."



CATEGORY: DIRECT RESTORATIVES

SECTIONAL MATRIX

Composi-Tight® 3D Fusion Sectional Matrix System
(Garrison Dental Solutions)



Why we chose this product:

Garrison continually redesigns their products for an ultimate sectional matrix system, delivering near perfect contacts every time.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The new ring design makes placement predictable on tough preps, short clinical crowns and other challenging areas. The rubber ends of the rings result in minimal slippage."
- "Best forceps of any system I have used, and best selection of clamps."
- "Coating of the matrix made band removal easy along with the tab on the matrix band."

BONDING AGENT: UNIVERSAL

Scotchbond Universal Adhesive
(3M)



Why we chose this product:

Scotchbond Universal has been tested in our laboratories and resulted in amazing bond strengths to dentin and enamel. Assistants find the product is easy to use due to its flip top design which allows one handed dispensing. Scotchbond Universal can also be used as a primer for zirconia restorations; no need for a separate bottle.

Consultants' Comments:

- "So many different uses in one bottle; it simplifies bonding."
- "High bond strength gives me confidence."
- "Now I can keep just one adhesive in the office for every procedure."

COMPOSITE: HIGHLY-FILLED FLOWABLE

CLEARFIL MAJESTY™ ES Flow
(Kuraray America, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

This flowable composite is truly universal and can be used in all classes, offering superior esthetics and excellent polishability.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The material blended so well with the tooth structure that you had to look hard to find the interface."
- "Syringe design prevents oozing from the tip."
- "Readily apparent on radiographs."

BONDING AGENT: TOTAL-ETCH

OptiBond™ FL
(Kerr Restoratives)



Why we chose this product:

OptiBond FL is an excellent total-etch bonding agent and, when tested in our labs, had an excellent bond to both dentin and enamel.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Viscosity is great and the material is easy to see on dentin."
- "Excellent fluoride-releasing, light-cured bonding agent."
- "I have been using the bonding agent for years and my patients have no reported sensitivity!"

COMPOSITE: LOW-FILLED FLOWABLE

NovaPro™ Flow
(Nanovita Biomaterials, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

NovaPro Flow is the first and only nanofiber-reinforced flowable composite on the market. This reduces the potential for shrinkage stress.

Consultants' Comments:

- "It stays where placed and does not run."
- "Polishes like glass."
- "The shades were amazing—they disappeared into the tooth surface."

COMPOSITE: UNIVERSAL

Estelite® Sigma Quick
(Tokuyama Dental America, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

Estelite Sigma Quick blends exceptionally well with the surrounding tooth structure, offering a chameleon effect. Our long-term data shows excellent resistance to fracture and staining.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The ease of placement and workability of this product are excellent."
- "Definitely a great handling material for both anterior and posterior restorations. Great opalescence and translucency allow it to blend very well with surrounding teeth."
- "Looks great after five years, and I am sure it will last much longer."

CATEGORY: DIRECT RESTORATIVES

COMPOSITE: ESTHETIC

Harmonize™ Universal Composite
(Kerr Restoratives)

Why we chose this product:

Harmonize has Adaptive Response Technology (ART), which enables a dynamic viscosity for superior handling and optical characteristics that mimic human enamel.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Wonderful esthetics. It blends beautifully to tooth structure with a good chameleon effect."
- "With an adequate bevel, the interface between the tooth and composite was invisible."
- "Beautiful polish, it polished to a mirror finish and seems like glass. It looks so natural."



COMPOSITE: BULK FILL RESTORATIVE

Tetric EvoCeram® Bulk Fill
(Ivoclar Vivadent)

Why we chose this product:

Tetric EvoCeram Bulk Fill has performed well over time in our long-term studies, showing no wear and very minimal discoloration and fracture over time. This bulk fill requires no capping layer and is easy to sculpt.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The esthetics were excellent – retains surface gloss over time."
- "Good results without layering."
- "This is now my 'go to' product for posterior composites."



BIOACTIVE RESTORATIVE

ACTIVA™ BioACTIVE-RESTORATIVE™
(Pulpdent Corporation)

Why we chose this product:

ACTIVA is an unique bioactive restorative which offers several benefits specifically for high caries risk patients such as geriatric or pediatric patients.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Having good uptake of calcium, phosphate and fluoride ions is a huge plus."
- "I like using **ACTIVA BioACTIVE-RESTORATIVE** in pediatric patients – it bonded well without a bonding agent."
- "The esthetics were excellent at two years."



RMGI RESTORATIVE

Ionolux
(VOCO)

Why we chose this product:

Ionolux is an easy-to-activate, radiopaque RMGI restorative that does not stick to instruments and requires no conditioner.

Consultants' Comments:

- "This RMGI is a huge improvement over traditional glass ionomers."
- "Easy to use and dispense, good handling and packability – did not stick to instruments."
- "I like that it is one step, does not require a conditioner or bonding agent or varnish after placement, and it releases fluoride."



PULPAL PROTECTANT

TheraCal LC®
(Bisco, Inc.)

Why we chose this product:

Available in light-cure and dual-cure mode, **TheraCal LC** is an easy-to-use resin modified calcium silicate material which can be simply and directly or indirectly placed as a pulp cap or base/liner.

Consultants' Comments:

- "No mixing required and it's a one-step application."
- "It was not as messy as other liners and it's simple."
- "Light-cure feature is a great advantage."



DESENSITIZER

TEETHMATE™ DESENSITIZER
(Kuraray America, Inc.)

Why we chose this product:

DENTAL ADVISOR conducted a six-month study and the product performed extremely well, lasting for longer intervals when compared with other desensitizers in reducing patient sensitivity.

Consultants' Comments:

- "**TEETHMATE DESENSITIZER** is easy to apply and seems to provide consistent relief."
- "Immediately following desensitizing, nearly every patient reported an improvement in the level of sensitivity."
- "At six months, the majority of patients continue to experience marked improvement from their pre-operative sensitivity."



CATEGORY: INDIRECT RESTORATIVES

SOFT TISSUE MANAGEMENT PASTE

Traxodent®

(Premier® Dental Products Co.)



Why we chose this product:

Traxodent is an easy-to-place, soft tissue management paste. It has a great viscosity and achieves hemostasis well.

Consultants' Comments:

- "I used **Traxodent** with my two-cord system and the results are great."
- "Easy to use; rinses off completely."
- "This material seemed to work well following a gingivectomy, where cord could not be placed."

RETRACTION CORD

Knit Pak™+ AlCl3 Impregnated Knitted Cord

(Premier® Dental Products Co.)



Why we chose this product:

Knit Pak+ is impregnated with aluminum chloride and offers many sizes to achieve hemostasis.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The 000.0 size is an excellent addition to the traditional cord sizes."
- "**Knit Pak+** is far more resistant to shredding and wrapping around a high speed bur."
- "I love using the double- and triple-zero for two-cord technique."

SCANNABLE IMPRESSION MATERIAL

Flexitime® Fast & Scan

(Kulzer)



Why we chose this product:

Evolving impression techniques have made scannable materials a necessity. Our laboratories tested the accuracy of scans using **Flexitime Fast & Scan** and the scans and resultant restorations were excellent in accuracy and fit.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Putty lends rigidity to a dual-arch tray."
- "Great detail quality."
- "No need to powder impression for scanning."

BITE REGISTRATION

Futar® Fast

(Kettenbach)



Why we chose this product:

This bite registration provides an accurate and smooth result—it flows well and stays where put.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Easy to remove—does not lock into undercuts."
- "Stiff but not brittle."
- "Positive seat of casts results in accurate occlusion."

ALGinate ALTERNATIVE

Xantasil®

(Kulzer)



Why we chose this product:

Xantasil is an alginate alternative that allows multiple pours and long-term storage. Its medium viscosity makes it easy to dispense and capture good detail on impressions.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Works great as a matrix for making a temporary crown."
- "Impressions turned out nicely each time!"
- "I won't go back to alginate."

ALGinate

Cavex Cream Alginate

(Cavex Holland BV)



Why we chose this product:

Cavex Cream Alginate is a unique alginate with accuracy up to 5 microns. Assistants love the high quality of this material and lack of void.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Easy mixing for a creamy consistency. I never had any bubbles or voids in my impressions."
- "I love the working time, it sets so fast. It makes it so much better for the patient."
- "Great product. The detail and accuracy are excellent."

CATEGORY: INDIRECT RESTORATIVES

COMPOSITE CORE MATERIAL

Visalys® Core
(Kettenbach)



Why we chose this product:

Visalys Core is a dual-cured, versatile material that can be used with any bonding agent and is BPA free.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Being able to use any adhesive simplifies my procedure set-up."
- "The cured material is easy to prep."
- "Excellent viscosity for post cementation."

CEMENT: SELF-ADHESIVE

PANAVIA™ SA Cement Plus
(Kuraray America, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

Panavia SA Cement Plus can be used in a moist environment and removal of excess is very easy.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Easy to work with and easy clean-up."
- "It doesn't set up too quickly when tack curing, and the excess peels easily from the margin."
- "It's quick and simple to use. We had no retention or sensitivity issues."



PROVISIONAL: UNIVERSAL

Visalys® Temp
(Kettenbach)

Why we chose this product:

Visalys Temp was loved by our clinical evaluators due to its excellent fit and minimal shrinkage after set. A noticeable difference was in the lack of air-inhibited layer.



Consultants' Comments:

- "Great handling – easy to finish and polish."
- "Minimal air-inhibited layer."
- "This is my new favorite provisional material."

CEMENT: ESTHETIC RESIN

Variolink® Esthetic
(Ivoclar Vivadent)



Why we chose this product:

Available in Light- and Dual-Cure options, **Variolink Esthetic** offers the clinician everything needed for cementing esthetic cases in one kit. Try in pastes are true to final color and the kit is well organized and easy to use.

Consultants' Comments:

- "I was able to get precise shade matching with **Variolink Esthetic**."
- "Easy clean-up."
- "Shading system is perfect for all different shades."

PROVISIONAL: ESTHETIC

Luxatemp Fluorescence
(DMG America)



Why we chose this product:

Luxatemp Fluorescence continues to win awards for its excellent esthetics and polishability. It is strong enough to use for longer term provisionals.



Consultants' Comments:

- "Nice esthetics and shade selection."
- "Great material."
- "**Luxatemp Fluorescence** polishes to a high luster."

CEMENT: INNOVATIVE

TheraCem®
(Bisco, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

TheraCem is innovative in that it provides continuous calcium and fluoride release, making it an excellent choice for high caries risk patients. When tested in the DENTAL ADVISOR laboratories, the bond strength performed above average compared to other self-adhesive cements on the market.

Consultants' Comments:

- "It tack cured quickly. Clean-up was perfect and there was no sticky residue."
- "The simplicity made it a pleasure to use. I like not needing the steps of etching/bonding, as well as the product's consistency."
- "Super thin viscosity and film thickness made it easy to dispense and spread along margins."

CATEGORY: INDIRECT RESTORATIVES

CEMENT: RMGI

GC FujiCEM™ 2
(GC America)



Why we chose this product:

GC FujiCEM 2 performed well in our labs when bond strength was tested. Long term data is very positive, showing high retention and lack of microleakage.

Consultants' Comments:

- "I am pleased with the esthetics and color stability in the restorations cemented with **GC FujiCEM 2**."
- "The lack of sensitivity is very important."
- "Retention is everything. I was very pleased to see so few debonds with this cement."

ZIRCONIA PRIMER

Z-PRIME™ Plus
(Bisco, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

Z-PRIME Plus is an excellent zirconia primer which is a single component and does not require refrigeration.

Consultants' Comments:

- "It was really easy to use – single bottle, no mixing – and coated very well."
- "I did not have to refrigerate."
- "Compatible with dual-cured resins and most surfaces."

CEMENT: IMPLANT

CEM-IMPLANT™
(B.J.M. Laboratories, Ltd.)



Why we chose this product:

An excellent non-eugenol resin cement with two-stage cure. It features an initial gel phase for removal of excess cement and a rigid final set in four to five minutes. It is strong, yet allows retrievability for temporary restorations.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Excess cement is easy to remove in one piece and not crumbly."
- "Direct placement of cement into the restoration makes the procedure quick and easy."
- "Perfect consistency and amount of retention."

DENTURE RELINE MATERIAL

Sofreliner Tough S
(Tokuyama Dental America, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

Sofreliner Tough S adapted well to soft tissue and produced a very good fit. It is easy to dispense and place, and greatly improved comfort for patients.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Great product for denture patients that are healing after a surgery."
- "Holds up well."
- "This product gives the patient pain-free retention."

CATEGORY: POLISHERS

COMPOSITE POLISHER: TWO-STEP

Twist Polishing Kit
(Meisinger USA)



Why we chose this product:

Twist Polishing Kit contains flexible intra-oral composite polishing disks with feathered edging, making polishing easy in any area of the mouth.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The polished surface is noticeably smooth and shiny, with a high gloss and no scratches."
- "Easy to get into grooves for a flawless polish."
- "They held together and could be used multiple times."

CERAMIC POLISHERS

ALL CERAMIC Polishers®
(Cosmedent, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

Offering both intra-oral and extra-oral kits, these ceramic polishers offer excellent gloss on all types of ceramics.

Consultants' Comments:

- "I like that there is one polishing kit for all ceramic types."
- "Polishers seem to hold up and don't disintegrate during use."
- "Excellent results for IPS e.max and zirconia - very gentle on restorations."

CATEGORY: LONG-TERM PERFORMERS

LONG-TERM PERFORMER: CERAMIC

IPS e.max Press
(Ivoclar Vivadent)



Why we chose this product:

Year after year, **IPS e.max Press** is the chosen material for highly esthetic ceramic restorations. It has proven to be a high-strength, durable material with excellent clinical performance for over seven years. Its performance has exceeded that of traditional PFM restorations as well as many all-ceramic restorations.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Very versatile, highly esthetic material. I use it for most of my anterior and posterior restorations."
- "**IPS e.max Press** never fails to disappoint in achieving the perfect shade match for even the most challenging cases."
- "A strong yet very esthetic restoration. I've never been disappointed."

LONG-TERM PERFORMER: ESTHETIC ZIRCONIA

NexxZr® T
(Sagemax Bioceramics, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

NexxZr T has been tested in our laboratories, by our clinicians over the long-term, and has performed very well over time, maintaining its high esthetics.

Consultants' Comments:

- "It's easy to see why **NexxZr T** is one of the best selling zirconias. With its exceptional translucency, strength and depth of color, it can be used as a multiple unit bridge or an aesthetically pleasing anterior crown."
- "I've been using **NexxZr** for over 3 years and it has been a very reliable material with no failures and excellent aesthetics. Patients have been very pleased as well."

LONG-TERM PERFORMER: SELF-ADHESIVE CEMENT

RelyX™ Unicem 2 Automix Self-Adhesive Resin Cement (3M)



Why we chose this product:

3M Rely X Unicem 2 has consistently performed well over 10 years in the areas of esthetics, retention, and lack of marginal discoloration.

Consultants' Comments:

- "My favorite features were ease of use, consistent mixing and long-term retention."
- "Easy to dispense and clean up."
- "In 10 years of using this cement, it really has proven itself."

LONG-TERM PERFORMER: BONDING AGENT

OptiBond™ XTR
(Kerr Restoratives)



Why we chose this product:

OptiBond XTR with **Herculite Ultra** showed no signs of wear, high fracture resistance, wonderful esthetics, and excellent resistance to marginal discoloration at five years.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Excellent bond to dentin and enamel."
- "Using **OptiBond XTR** on composites has proven to be an excellent choice."
- "I like that it can be used as a primer for restorations as well."

LONG-TERM PERFORMER: ZIRCONIA

BruXZir® Full-Strength
(Glidewell Laboratories)



Why we chose this product:

BruXZir has continued to perform exceptionally in our long-term studies; at over six years, it has shown no wear on opposing dentition. Esthetics are excellent and chipping and fracture have been non-existent.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Excellent fit and esthetics – exceptional for posterior crowns."
- "One of the nicest implant crowns I have seen – opaque enough to mask the metal abutment."
- "**BruXZir** is a great choice for worry-free crowns and a good value."
- "I have been using **BruXZir** for six years and have not been disappointed. Neither have my patients."

LONG-TERM PERFORMER: UNIVERSAL MULTI-LAYER

Filtek™ Supreme Ultra Universal Restorative (3M)



Why we chose this product:

Filtek Supreme Ultra Universal Restorative performed exceptionally well in the categories of esthetics, resistance to fracture/chipping, resistance to marginal discoloration, and wear resistance at 6 years.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The enamel shades give good depth for most anterior multi-layer/shade restorations."
- "Composite stays where placed and is easy to sculpt."
- "Good color match and very nice surface finish."

CATEGORY: ENDODONTICS

ENDODONTIC BIOACTIVE CEMENT

NeoMTA Plus™

(Avalon Biomed, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

NeoMTA Plus has superior handling properties and is easy to place, pack, and mold. Once in place, the material retains its position.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Good radiopacity."
- "Ideal material to treat a pinpoint pulp exposure during a restorative procedure."
- "Consistency is smooth, not gritty."

ENDODONTIC OBTURATION SYSTEM

elements™ free Cordless Continuous Wave Obturation

(Kerr Endodontics)



Why we chose this product:

elements free Cordless Continuous Wave Obturation is a cordless system for both warm obturation and condensing. It is lightweight and performs well.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Portable, lightweight, and heats quickly. I also like the one-touch activation/deactivation ring."
- "Love the cordless feature of this system."
- "Easy to use and produces great fills."

DENTAL DAM: LATEX

Sanctuary Powder Free Black Latex Dental Dam
(Sanctuary Health)



Why we chose this product:

This dental dam offers excellent color contrast and is great for photography.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Great tear resistance."
- "Easy on the eyes, and great for photography."
- "Best rubber dam ever!"



ENDODONTIC IRRIGANT

Irritrol

(Essential Dental Systems)



Why we chose this product:

Irritrol is a one-step product combining two irrigants, saving time during endodontic procedures.

Consultants' Comments:

- "During irrigation with **Irritrol**, an amazing amount of debris is eliminated from the canal. I could see it bubble out."
- "The green color makes it easy to identify and differentiate from other irrigating solutions."
- "No waiting period for solution to work."

APEX LOCATOR

Apex ID™ Digital Apex Locator
(Kerr Endodontics)



Why we chose this product:

Apex ID is a compact, easy-to-use apex locator which continually calibrates, eliminating guesswork and maintenance.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The small size of the locator makes it easy to use."
- "Very accurate readings I can trust."
- "I like the fact that it makes a sound when it shuts off."

DENTAL DAM: NON-LATEX

Isodam®

(HEDY Canada)



Why we chose this product:

Extremely strong yet flexible, **Isodam** has been the top rated dental dam for several years at the DENTAL ADVISOR. Our laboratories tested the tear strength of this dam and found it to be very high.

Consultants' Comments:

- "It is extremely flexible and doesn't tear when stretching it."
- "Easy to place and floss through it without the need to lubricate the dam."
- "This is the best non-latex dental dam I have ever used."

CATEGORY: PATIENT PRODUCTS

TAKE-HOME WHITENING

Venus White Pro
(Kulzer)



Why we chose this product:

Venus White Pro is a comprehensive kit offered through dental offices for at-home whitening. The professional kit contains everything a patient may need for at-home whitening, and is available in three strengths: 16, 22, and 35% carbamide peroxide.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The 35% gel whitens the teeth fast!"
- "Nice patient kit."
- "I love having the lower percentage of carbamide peroxide available for patients with extremely sensitive teeth."

DENTURE ADHESIVE

OlivaFix®
(Bonyl)



Why we chose this product:

OlivaFix is a zinc- paraben- and petrolatum-free denture adhesive with olive oil base, which reportedly offers anti-bacterial properties.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Patients raved about it. They use it once a day and the denture stays in very tightly all day."
- "Effective and improves stability of upper dentures in particular."
- "Easy to remove and didn't wash out in use."

PREVENTATIVE PRODUCT

MI Paste Plus®
(GC America)



Why we chose this product:

MI Paste Plus exhibits a great reduction of sensitivity for patients, is easy to use, and adds in remineralization and recalcification effect.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Good consistency for spreading on the teeth."
- "I had high patient compliance."
- "I had great results in recalcifying white spots by etching them and applying **MI Paste Plus**."

TEMPORARY THERAPEUTIC DEVICE

SOVA® Night Guard
(Akkervall Technologies)



Why we chose this product:

SOVA is a unique therapeutic device which consultants utilized as a interim nightguard for bruxing patients. It is a hard thermoplastic, BPA-free material, which can be reheated and molded up to 20 times.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Great option when we need an immediate splint."
- "Excellent adaptation and retention can be achieved."
- "The ability to reheat and re-adapt numerous times is one of the best features."

ATHLETIC MOUTHGUARD

SISU® NextGen
(Akkervall Technologies)



Why we chose this product:

SISU NextGen mouthguards are uniquely designed to be heated and remolded as dentition changes. They have a breathable design which allows for drinking and makes speaking easier while wearing.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Great material with interesting properties – unobtrusive, thin and lightweight."
- "Great for orthodontic patients, young athletes and gaggers."
- "People like the thinness, air holes, and ability to speak and drink with it in – good compliance."

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CATEGORY: SMALL EQUIPMENT

LED CURING LIGHT

Bluephase® Style
(Ivoclar Vivadent)



Why we chose this product:

Bluephase Style offers multiple curing modes and is ergonomic and lightweight. The **Bluephase II Meter** is one of the most accurate on the market in measuring light intensity. This light has continually won awards from DENTAL ADVISOR due to its simple yet effective operation.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Lightweight and ergonomically friendly."
- "Easy to get in tight spaces."
- "Easy, stable docking."
- "Quiet operation."

HANDPIECE MAINTENANCE SYSTEM

QUATTROcare™ Plus
(KaVo)



Why we chose this product:

An easy-to-use handpiece maintenance system that prolongs the life of handpieces.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Quick and efficient."
- "Allows me to do other tasks while the unit is running."
- "Quiet as a whisper."

INTRAORAL CAMERA

IRIS Intraoral Camera
(Digital Doc)



Why we chose this product:

IRIS successfully integrated with all practice management and imaging softwares when evaluated by our consultants. It is truly a plug- and-play camera.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Camera is lightweight with a slim head."
- "Easy to operate and great images!"
- "Lights are bright but do not wash out the colors in the images."
- "Captures detail of all intra- and extra-oral structures."

DIODE LASER

Picasso/Picasso Lite
(AMD LASERS®)



Why we chose this product:

Picasso and **Picasso Lite** offer both experienced and new users an easy-to-use, intuitive diode laser. Both disposable and strippable fiber tips are available.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Disposable tips are great! Stripping/cleaving are eliminated."
- "Laser is lightweight, and the handle makes it easy to carry."
- "The wireless foot pedal is convenient and easy to move around."

DYNAMIC MIXER

Dynamix Speed
(Kulzer)



Why we chose this product:

Dynamix Speed makes an assistant's life easier, eliminating hand mixing of impression material. It has three different speeds; two for tray material, and one for syringe loading.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Loading an impression tray is usually hard on my hand from squeezing the handle of an automix gun. This mixing system is literally as easy as the push of a button."
- "Cartridges are easy to change."
- "Fast mixing and excellent, reliable results."

IN-OFFICE WHITENING

BEYOND® Polus® Advanced
(BEYOND® International, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

BEYOND Polus Advanced is easy to position and adjust, and offers several programs to cater to a variety of whitening needs.

Consultants' Comments:

- "It works well and no heat is emitted from the light."
- "It has a great range of power modes and settings for all whitening indications."
- "It gives you a 3-minute warning that the time is almost up."

CATEGORY: DIAGNOSTIC

LED HEADLIGHT

Feather Light LED
(UltraLight Optics, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

UltraLight Optics continually innovates their design to remain the smallest and lightest headlight on the market.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Lightweight – I do not feel any additional weight on my glasses."
- "Battery charge lasts all day."
- "Bright, focused light makes my job easier."

PANORAMIC IMAGING SYSTEM

CS 8100
(Carestream Dental)



Why we chose this product:

CS 8100 produces consistently superior images, and is simple and intuitive to position patients.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Software is intuitive and easy to use."
- "One of the easiest machines to use, and adaptable to all body types and sizes."
- "Clear, crisp images."

CATEGORY: INFECTION CONTROL

GLOVES: NITRILE

Transcend™ Nitrile Powder Free Examination Gloves
(Cranberry®)



Why we chose this product:

This glove has a patented Low Derma Technology which eliminates chemical accelerators commonly found in nitrile gloves, reducing the risk of Type I and Type IV hypersensitivities. Consultants found the glove comfortable and offered a good grip and fit.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Fit and touch are excellent."
- "Great fit – I'm in between sizes – the smaller size fits me very well with no hand fatigue."
- "Great for gripping things like endo files."
- "Lack of skin sensitivity is a plus."



GLOVES: FITTED

QualiTouch® Blue Nitrile Left/Right Fitted Gloves
(SmartPractice)



Why we chose this product:

QualiTouch gloves offer a form fit which minimizes hand fatigue. These fitted gloves are ideal when performing long procedures since they allow the hands to maintain a relaxed position.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Great tactile feel and no hand fatigue!"
- "Sturdy gloves with no defects."
- "Nice fit and ergonomics."



GLOVES: CHLOROPRENE

LeSoothe® Polychloroprene Powder Free Exam Gloves
(SmartPractice)



Why we chose this product:

Le Soothe Polychloroprene Powder Free Exam

Gloves feature a greater amount of stretch than consultants' other non-latex gloves, contributing to a high level of tear resistance in the gloves and reduced hand fatigue.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The material stretches, unlike other non-latex gloves, making donning much easier."
- "Feels like I don't even have gloves on."
- "Leaves my hands feeling soft."

HAND CARE

fiteBac® SkinCare Gel
(Kimmerling Holdings Group, fiteBac SkinCare LLC)



Why we chose this product:

fiteBac is a one-of-a-kind product. It is a silicone-based skin care gel that forms a coating over the skin. When tested by the DENTAL ADVISOR Infection Control Laboratories, fiteBac remained on the hands as an antibacterial agent for an extended period of time even after repeated hand washing.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Hands feel soft like they have lotion on, but with no greasy residue."
- "I will add this into my hand hygiene routine."
- "Gloves go on smoothly after using fiteBac."
- "This is an incredible product. Softening takes place immediately and lasts through multiple hand washings."

CATEGORY: INFECTION CONTROL

INSTRUMENT CASSETTE

Infinity Series™ Cassettes
(Hu-Friedy)



Why we chose this product:

Infinity Series Cassettes are well designed, durable, and effective instrument cassettes. They have an ergonomic design for easy grip and a positive locking mechanism to prevent accidental opening.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The rail design keeps instruments in place well."
- "Instruments are clean and free of debris; the holes are bigger in these cassettes and seem to allow more detergent in."
- "These cassettes are the most durable we have ever owned. The latch does not come loose like other brands."

STERILIZATION POUCHES

DEFEND® LOC
(Mydent International)



Why we chose this product:

These pouches have a pre-folded flap which eliminates uneven sealing of the sterilization bags.

Consultants' Comments:

- "I like that the pouches have both an internal and an external indicator."
- "The pouches are strong – they did not rip when placing instruments into them."
- "The pre-folded flap is awesome, it helps to make sure the package is sealed properly."

STERILIZATION MONITORING SYSTEM

Sterility Assurance System
(Crosstex International)



Why we chose this product:

This system offers three ways to verify sterilization: dual indicator bags, a class 5 integrator, and a biological indicator.

Consultants' Comments:

- "You can see results right away, as opposed to the monitoring service which takes days."
- "I like having three separate options to verify results."
- "**ConForm 10** saves me time and money compared to the strips I have to mail in for results."

AIR/WATER SYRINGE TIP

Seal-Tight™ Disposable Air/Water Syringe Tips
(Kerr TotalCare)



Why we chose this product:

Seal-Tight has a unique interlock system that eliminates o-ring wear and tear that is experienced with other tips. There is also no air contamination from the water chamber due to the unique design.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Absolutely no water contamination when using air!"
- "We are switching all our syringes over to this system. I liked the quality of the adapter, uniform spray, and quality of the tips."
- "Spray was even and uniform. I could rotate the syringe tips, but they didn't twist during use."

SURFACE DISINFECTANT

OPTIM 1
(SciCan)



Why we chose this product:

OPTIM 1 is a proprietary formulation with an one-minute kill time that is suitable for use on all clinical contact surfaces and can be safely handled.

Consultants' Comments:

- "**OPTIM 1** is easy to use, has no aerosol, is easy on sensitive skin, and does not produce eye reactions."
- "Did not leave a film on surfaces."
- "Extremely quick action while having broad-spectrum effectiveness."

WATERLINE TREATMENT PRODUCT

DentaPure® DP365B
(Crosstex International)



Why we chose this product:

A study by the DENTAL ADVISOR showed that **DP365B** cartridges were able to successfully reduce and achieve control of waterborne bacteria in dental waterlines for a one-year test interval.

Consultants' Comments:

- "**DentaPure** makes it very easy to maintain our waterlines. Just install the cartridge and replace when necessary."
- "Soon after installation of the **DP365B** iodine-releasing cartridges, the decline in waterborne bacterial presence was observed to be dramatic."
- "At the end of the one-year study, the practices voluntarily ordered and re-installed new **DP365B** cartridges."

CATEGORY: INFECTION CONTROL

DISPOSABLE

Bib-Eze® Disposable Bib Holders
(Kerr TotalCare)



Why we chose this product:

Bib-Eze is a convenient disposable alternative for metal bib chains. A study from Dr. John Molinari in our Microbiological Laboratories showed contamination of metal bib chains and recommended a disposable option.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Love that they are disposable and convenient to incorporate into practice."
- "I appreciate the lack of cross-contamination."
- "Patients thought it was soft and comfortable."



CATEGORY: MISCELLANEOUS

NITROUS MASK

ClearView Single-Use Nasal Hoods
(Accutron, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

ClearView Nasal Hoods have a transparent outer hood which gives the clinician a visible indication in the form of condensation that the patient is properly breathing the nitrous oxide.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Patients say they are comfortable."
- "Seals well around the nose."
- "Nice variety of scents; not too strong."

BEST VALUE PRODUCT

MIXPAC™ T-MIXER
(Sulzer Mixpac AG)



Why we chose this product:

Volume was measured in our laboratory and showed 25%-40% less waste occurred by using **MIXPAC T-MIXER** compared to longer, standard mixing tips.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Homogeneous mix and less waste."
- "Seemed to be easier to extrude material."
- "I found the **MIXPAC T-MIXER** tips to be an excellent product, providing a savings to the office without changing procedures."

CATEGORY: HYGIENE

HYGIENIST'S CHOICE

GingiCaine® Syringes
(PacDent International, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

Hygienists loved this product for deep scaling and root planing. It was easy to place, and had an immediate anesthetic effect.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Great delivery system. It was very easy to assemble the syringe and there were fewer parts than our product's delivery system."
- "The micro-needle tip protects the sulcus during delivery."
- "**GingiCaine** gel stays exactly where it is placed."

PROPHY PASTE

Gelato® Propphy Paste
(Keystone Industries)



Why we chose this product:

Gelato was highly rated by our hygiene consultants due to its lack of splatter and creamy consistency. Patients liked the variety of flavors as well.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Does not splatter."
- "Easy to rinse."
- "Cups are color-coded and easy to open."

FLUORIDE VARNISH

FluoroDose® 5% Sodium Fluoride Varnish with Xylitol
(Centrix, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

FluoroDose® 5% Sodium Fluoride Varnish has an innovative "lollipop" package design; its brush is contained in the package.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Seemed to be less sticky than other brands I have used."
- "Every child liked it!"
- "Application is smoother than most varnishes."

Amalgam Containment System

HG Containment Series, Anterior Quest

Assistant Product of the Year

EyeSpecial C-II camera, Shofu Dental

Bur: Diamond, Multi-Use

FG Diamond Burs, A&M Instruments

Cement: Adhesive

3M RelyX Ultimate, 3M

Cement: Temporary Non-Eugenol

Provicol QM Plus, VOCO

Composite: Bulk Fill, Base

x-tra base, VOCO

Composite Polisher: One-Step

Minnow Polishers, Microcopy

Composite Warmer

HeatSync Composite Warmer,
Bioclear Matrix Systems

Crown & Bridge Remover

WAMkey, Golden Dental Solutions

Diamond: Single-Use

Neo Diamond, Microcopy

Disposable Eyewear

TiDi Assemble 'n Go Eye Shields,
TiDi Products

Endodontic Access Bur

Munce Discovery Burs,
CJM Engineering Inc.

Endodontic Clamp Kit

Sanctuary Dental Dam Clamp Kit,
Sanctuary Health Sdn Bhd

Enzymatic Cleaner

Good Vibrations,
Certol International LLC

Fiber Post

Parapost Taper Lux,
Coltene Whaledent Inc.

Gauze

UltraPure Non-Woven Sponges,
Crosstex International

Glass Ionomer Restorative

Ketac Universal, 3M

Gloves: Latex

Cyntek Powder-Free Latex Gloves,
Cranberry

Hand Sanitizer

Preference Hand Sanitizer, Whip Mix

Hemostatic Dressing

HemoCell, Xlent Dental Products Inc.

HVE Tip

Multi-Axis Spiral Suction, Ghost MFG

Hygiene Handpiece

Young Hygiene Handpiece,
Young Dental

Instrument Processor

Hydrim, SciCan

Isolation & Evacuation Device

DryShield Starter Kit, DryShield

Matrix: Anterior

Bioclear Anterior Matrix Kit,
Bioclear Matrix Systems

Matrix: Band

Contoured Matrix Bands,
Pink Band Dental Solutions

Matrix: Disposable

ProMatrix Band, MEDICOM

Isolation & Protection Device:

Dry Angle

NeoDrys, Microcopy

LED Overhead Light

A-dec LED, A-dec/W&H

Long-Term Performer: Cement

Multilink Automix, Ivoclar Vivadent

Long-Term Performer: Provisional

Protomp Plus Temporization Material, 3M

Manual Toothbrush

PRO-SYS Tapered Toothbrushes,
Benco Dental Co

Mask

Vibe, BeeSure

Needle

Septoject Evolution, Septodont, Inc.

Oral Surgery Instrument

Plus Series Forceps, A.Titan Instruments

Patient Oral Care Product

Clinpro 5000, 3M

Pediatric Product

**Zooby Disposable Prophylaxis Angles
and Paste**, Young Innovations

Pit and Fissure Sealant

Ultrasal XT Plus, Ultradent Products, Inc.

Post and Core Kit

RelyX Fiber Post 3D, 3M



Primer: Universal Ceramic

Monobond Plus, Ivoclar Vivadent

Pumice Paste

Preppies Plus, Whip Mix

PVS Impression Material

3M Imprint 4 VPS Impression Material, 3M

Rinse

Tooth & Gum Tonic,
Dental Herb Company

Saliva Ejector

SECURETIP SALIVA EJECTOR, SECURETIP

Splinting Material

Dentapreg SFM, Dentapreg America Inc.

Sterilizer: Class B

BRAVO, SciCan

Temporary Filling Material

Clip Flow, VOCO

Ultrasonic Scaler

Cavitron Plus,
DENTSPLY Sirona Preventive

Wedge

3D Fusion Ultra Adaptive Wedge,
Garrison Dental Solutions

Whitening: Take-Home

Bite and White ABC System,
Cavex Holland B.V.

BONDING AGENT: SELF-ETCH

CLEARFIL™ SE Protect
(Kuraray America, Inc.)

Why we chose this product:

Clearfil SE Protect is a self-etching bonding agent with an unique monomer which makes the material anti-bacterial and cavity-cleansing.

Consultants' Comments:

- "No post-operative sensitivity."
- "DENTAL ADVISOR long-term data shows no marginal staining."
- "I love the dispensing container; it keeps the two bottles together."



BONDING AGENT: TOTAL-ETCH

iBond® Total Etch
(Kulzer)

Why we chose this product:

iBond TE performed well in our long-term studies. It offers high bond strength, and has a specially designed bottle to control drops.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Good surface wettability – only one application needed."
- "No need to refrigerate."
- "No reported issues with post-operative sensitivity."



COMPOSITE: ESTHETIC

Venus® Pearl
(Kulzer)

Why we chose this product:

Venus Pearl is an excellent esthetic composite that has a creamy consistency and is easy to sculpt. It offers wonderful esthetics and over time in our clinical study has resisted fracture and microleakage and shown no shade shift when used with **iBond TE** and **SE**.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Good consistency and esthetic results."
- "Very radiopaque."
- "Polishes to a high luster."
- "My go-to for all anterior composites."



COMPOSITE: UNIVERSAL

Admira Fusion
(VOCO)

Why we chose this product:

Admira Fusion is a uniquely formulated universal composite which provides the strength of **ORMOCER™** a ceramic derivative, yet sculpts easily. It has no traditional monomers.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Firm consistency is good for packing into preparations."
- "It adapts readily to the preparation and is easy to sculpt."
- "The radiopacity leaves no question as to what is tooth, restoration and possibly caries."



COMPOSITE: HIGHLY-FILLED FLOWABLE

BEAUTIFIL Flow Plus
(SHOFU Dental Corporation)

Why we chose this product:

BEAUTIFIL Flow Plus offers two viscosities: zero flow and low flow. This makes it an ideal flowable in many clinical situations, whether stacking or filling a larger area.

Consultants' Comments:

- "I can control the flow – composite doesn't slump."
- "Love this material for Class V restorations."
- "The composite is translucent and has a great color match."



RMGI RESTORATIVE

Riva Light Cure HV
(SDI North America, Inc.)

Why we chose this product:

The high viscosity of this light-cured, resin-reinforced glass ionomer makes it easier to place than other glass ionomers. It finishes nicely and is ideal in geriatric and pediatric indications.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Easy to place – material provides good adaptation."
- "Finishes nicely."
- "Sets quickly."



CEMENT: ADHESIVE

G-CEM Linkforce™
(GC America)



Why we chose this product:

G-CEM LinkForce is a dual-cured, radiopaque, universal adhesive resin cement system.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Having everything in one kit is a plus, no more hunting around."
- "I liked the long working time and the ease of clean-up."
- "I like the dual-cured option, and that **G-Premio Bond** can bond to any material in any mode."

CEMENT: SELF-ADHESIVE RESIN

Maxcem Elite™ Chroma
(Kerr Restoratives)



Why we chose this product:

Maxcem Elite Chroma's innovative color change identifies the proper time to begin removing excess cement.

Consultants' Comments

- "Clean-up is simple. I found it remarkably easy to remove cement interproximally."
- "Post-operative sensitivity is non-existent."
- "The color change indicator is helpful to both my assistant and I."

CEMENT: ESTHETIC RESIN

NX3 Nexus™ Third Generation
(Kerr Restoratives)



Why we chose this product:

NX3 offers both light-cure and dual-cure cement, compatible with both self-etch and total-etch bonding agents. A complete kit includes try-in gels and all needed accessories for esthetic restorations.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Ease of excess cement removal before the final set, esthetics, and lack of postoperative sensitivity are excellent."
- "Both cements have excellent viscosity."
- "The light-cure shade availability was perfect for esthetic needs in anterior teeth."

CEMENT: INNOVATIVE

Ceramir®
(Doxa Dental)



Why we chose this product:

Ceramir is a uniquely formulated bioceramic luting cement, which is easy to use and clean up. It requires no etching, priming, bonding or conditioning and is compatible with all indirect restorative materials.

Editor's note: This product is only available in the QuikCaps format now.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Consistent mixes and setting times."
- "Low-viscosity cement does not inhibit complete seating."
- "Excess cement peels away with a light touch."

CEMENT: TEMPORARY IMPLANT

Premier® Implant Cement™
(Premier® Dental Products, Co.)



Why we chose this product:

Due to its two-stage cure, this cement is very easy to clean up. Consultants found it to be very retentive, and the light viscosity of the cement allows complete seating of restorations without excessive pressure.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Very easy to mix and use."
- "Consistency is smooth and creamy."
- "Very retentive material."

CEMENT: TEMPORARY

Temp-Bond™ NE
Temporary Dental Cement
(Kerr Restoratives)



Why we chose this product:

Temp-Bond NE offers a consistent mix and easy removal of temporaries, as well as excess cement.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Strong enough, yet easy to remove the temporary."
- "Easy clean up."
- "Automix syringe offers controlled, easy dispensing."

PVS IMPRESSION MATERIAL

Panasil
(Kettenbach)



Why we chose this product:

Panasil offers excellent detail and good color contrast for reading impression margins.

Consultants' Comments:

- "I liked the viscosity of the light body; there were no voids or pulls."
- "Light and heavy body material always blended together seamlessly, and the heavy body material provided excellent detail without drag."
- "Excellent color contrast."

FIBER POST

**GLASSIX Plus Radiopaque
& Light Transmitting Fiber Post**
(Nordin Dental)



Why we chose this product:

GLASSIX Plus has a unique post with twisted grooves, which make trimming easier and increase retention.

Consultants' Comments:

- "My assistants loved the simplicity of the system; color coding and kit design are excellent."
- "Drills were superb. They cut smoothly, cleanly, without chatter and resulted in a perfect slip fit of the post."
- "Good radiopacity and excellent light transmission."

PRIMER: ZIRCONIA

Q-CERAM™
(B.J.M. Laboratories)

Why we chose this product:

Q-CERAM is an easy-to-use, versatile ceramic primer. When tested in Dental Advisor laboratories, it performed well with a high shear bond to zirconia.



Consultants' Comments:

- "It is formulated to improve bond strength to resin-based cements, without the need for sand blasting or other conditioning."
- "Q-CERAM has a low viscosity and wettability which helps it flow and coat the surface."
- "A simple and easy product that is well worth the additional time."

RETRACTION CORD

ShortCut™ Retraction Cord
(Kerr Restoratives)



Why we chose this product:

ShortCut Retraction Cord has a unique dispenser and cutter.

Consultants' Comments

- "The cord never gets tangled!"
- "Innovative dispensing and cutting! I wonder why somebody didn't think of this before!"
- "Easy to disinfect – eliminates cross-contamination."

PRIMER: CERAMIC

CLEARFIL™ Ceramic Primer Plus
(Kuraray America, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

CLEARFIL Ceramic Primer Plus is a one-step ceramic primer which performed exceptionally well in our biomaterials laboratory.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Quick to apply and wets ceramic well."
- "Easy to use on a variety of ceramic materials."
- "Significantly increases long-term bond of ceramic restorations."

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Take a look at this year's grant program winners at:
dentaltradealliance.org/foundation/2017_grant_winners

SURFACE DISINFECTANT

CaviWipes™
(Kerr TotalCare)



Why we chose this product:

CaviWipes performed well when tested in our infection control laboratory, and offer an XL size to cover more surface area.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Cleans surfaces really well before disinfecting!"
- "Surface stays wet, and the wipes don't dry out."
- "I love the XL size wipes because they cover more surface area."

GLOVES: CHLOROPRENE

Micro-Touch® Denta-Glove® Green Neoprene
(Ansell)



Why we chose this product:

Micro-Touch Denta-Glove Green Neoprene have a special **ERGOFORM™** technology which make the gloves stretch more, and reduce muscle fatigue — especially in longer procedures.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Soft and silky, stretchy and flexible – no finger fatigue; felt like a second skin."
- "Excellent tactile sensitivity. Felt more secure than nitrile gloves when handling instruments."
- "Great fit without being too tight at the palm and wrist."

ABSORBENT CHEEK PAD

Reflective Shields Plus®
(Richmond Dental & Medical)



Why we chose this product:

Reflective shields in heart shape accommodate buccal curvatures and provide excellent absorption.

Consultants' Comments:

- "Easy insertion – didn't stick to the cheek and easy to remove."
- "Very comfortable for patients."
- "Effective absorbency and it didn't swell."
- "Held their shape and didn't slip during use."

HAND CARE

Hand Essentials™
Skin Repair Cream
(Hu-Friedy)



Why we chose this product:

This lotion is dual action; it can be used both as a hand lotion and skin repair cream.

Consultants' Comments:

- "I have sensitive skin and this improved the feel and appearance of my hands."
- "A small amount goes a long way."
- "Does not affect donning of my gloves."

DISPOSABLE

SteriPocket™
(Richmond Dental & Medical)



Why we chose this product:

Assistants love SteriPocket's pre-sterilized, pre-packaged gauze.

Consultants' Comments:

- "I could rest assured that the gauze stayed sterile until the patient was ready to use it."
- "Positive patient perception – package is clearly marked 'sterile'."
- "Gauze squares are thick and soft."

DENTAL DAM: NON-LATEX

Sanctuary Powder Free Non-Latex Dental Dam®
(Sanctuary Health)



Why we chose this product:

Sanctuary Health has developed a highly tear-resistant, non-latex dam which is highly rated for its adaptability.

Consultants' Comments:

- "More tear-resistant than the non-latex dams I was using."
- "I was impressed with the ease of use and texture of this non-latex rubber dam. I was expecting something similar to other nitrile products I have used, but it handled very similarly to a latex rubber dam."
- "This is the best rubber dam I have ever used."

PROPHY PASTE

Enamel Pro Proply Paste
(Premier® Dental Products, Co.)



Why we chose this product:

Enamel Pro contains ACP, which remineralizes tooth enamel by incorporating calcium and phosphate into the enamel. Consultants appreciated the smoothness of the paste.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The taste and scent were pleasing to my patients."
- "My patients liked how smooth their teeth felt after treatment."
- "I like that it has ACP."

ALGINATE

KromaFaze™
(Kerr Restoratives)



Why we chose this product:

The innovative package design of **KromaFaze** allows the user to repurpose the container to measure the exact amount of water needed.

Consultants' Comments:

- "The color change is a useful feature; providing a visual cue for the user."
- "Less messy than conventional alginate products."
- "Very consistent results, and the mix lacks bubbles."

MANUAL TOOTHBRUSH

Brilliant!®
(Compac Industries)



Why we chose this product:

The unique design of **Brilliant!** assists in cleaning hard-to-reach areas in medically compromised or pediatric patients.

Consultants' Comments:

- "It was easy for my 20-month-old son to use. I do like that it has round bristles for people with dexterity issues."
- "Works extremely well in small mouths and around tori."
- "Effective on the distal surfaces of second and third molars."
- "The 360-degree designed bristles made it perfect for patients with manual dexterity problems."

WHITENING: IN-OFFICE

Sinsational Smile
(Sinsational Smile, Inc.)



Why we chose this product:

Pre-made in-office whitening trays make this product simple to implement with a short treatment time of 20 minutes.

Consultants' Comments:

- "No patients reported sensitivity during treatment."
- "Flexible light head was very easy to position."
- "Saves time not having to place blackout."

2018 EDITORIAL SCHEDULE

● MARCH/APRIL:

Making a Good Impression:

This issue will discuss tissue management, techniques (digital and traditional) and impression accessories.

● MAY/JUNE:

Ceramics and Surface Treatments: This issue will focus on ceramic materials for pressing and CAD/CAM and surface treatments.

● JULY/AUGUST:

Clinical Problem Solvers: Our clinical problem solver issue focuses on products and equipment which solve a particular challenge for practicing dentists, assistants, and hygienists.

● SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER:

Temporization: This issue will focus on long-term and short term temporaries as well as options for temporary cementation.

● NOVEMBER/DECEMBER:

Hygiene Focus-Patient Centric Care: This issue will focus on resolving patient concerns from a hygiene perspective: desensitizers, dry mouth and specialty preventive products.

Air/Water Syringe Tip
FlashTips, DENTSPLY Sirona

Amalgam Containment System
Solmetex HG5 Amalgam Separator, Solmetex

Anesthetic Buffering System
Onset, OraPharma a Valeant Company

Bite Registration
2012 R-SI Line Metal-Bite, R-dental

Bonding Agent: Self-Etch
ACE ALL-BOND SE, Bisco Inc.

Bonding Agent: Universal
Adhese Universal, Ivoclar Vivadent

Burs: Carbide, Multi-Use
Great White # 2, SS White Burs

Burs: Carbide, Single-Use
Neo Bur Trimming and Finishing Carbides, Microcopy

Burs: Diamond, Multi-Use
BOSPHORUS Burs, Tekmetal San. Tic. Ltd. Sti.

Burs: Diamond, Single-Use
Select Diamonds Burs, Zendo

Cement: Endodontic Bioactive
MTA Repair HP, Angelus USA LLC

Cement: RMGI
RelyX Luting Plus Automix, 3M

Ceramic Polishers
LUSTER EXTRAORAL & INTRAORAL TWIST KITS, Meisinger USA

Composite: Bulk Fill, Base
Filtek Bulk Fill Flowable Restorative, 3M

Composite: Bulk Fill Restorative
Filtek One Bulk Fill, 3M

Composite: Flowable, High-Filled
CLEARFIL Majesty ES Flow, Kuraray America, Inc.

Composite: Low-Filled Flowable
Tetric EvoFlow, Ivoclar Vivadent

Composite Polisher: One-Step
One Gloss PS, Shofu Dental

Composite Polisher: Two-Step
Super-Snap X-treme, Shofu Dental

Core Material
LuxaCore Z-Dual, DMG America

Dental Dam: Latex
Nic Tone Rubber Dam, MDC Dental

Desensitizer
Shield Force Plus, Tokuyama Dental America Inc.

Enzymatic Cleaner
Sani-Soak Ultra, Enzyme Industry

Fluoride Varnish
MI Varnish, GC America Inc

Gloves: Nitrile
Ultraform Gloves, Ansell

Hand Sanitizer
Moist Sure Foaming Hand Sanitizer, Dentsply Sultana Healthcare

Handpiece: Air Driven
Ti-Max Z900L, NSK Dental LLC

Handpiece: Electric
Ti-Max Z95L, NSK Dental LLC

Handpiece: Hygiene
iStar Cordless Prophylaxis Handpiece, Dental EZ

Handpiece Maintenance System
STATMATIC, SciCan
LED Curing Light
Elipar Deep Cure S, 3M

HVE Tip
Safe-Vac, Safe-Vac, LLC

LED Headlight
FireFly, DenMat Holdings, LLC

LED Overhead Light
GCOMM Polaris LED Overhead Light, Flight Dental Systems

Mask
Comfit Plush, DENTSPLY Sirona

Matrix: Anterior
Uveneer, Ultradent Products, Inc.

Matrix: Band
Pink Band, Pink Band Dental Solutions



Matrix: Sectional
V3 Ring, Ultradent Products, Inc.

Needles
Transcendent Painless Steel Injection Needles, Sulzer (Transcoject America)

Nitrous Mask
AXESS Mask Sedation System, Crosstex International

Oral Surgery Instrument
Luxator, Directa Dental

Pediatric Product
Angie by Angelus, Angelus USA LLC

Post & Core Kit
Rebilda Post System, VOCO

Preventative Products
ReminPro, VOCO

Rinse
PerioRinse, Centura Pharmaceuticals

RMGI Restorative
Ionostar Plus, VOCO

Soft Tissue Management Paste
Soft Tissue Retraction Paste, 3M

Splinting Material
F-Splint-Aid Slim, Polydentia SA

Sterilization Pouches
SURE-CHECK Sterilization Pouches, Crosstex International

Temporary Therapeutic Device
NiteBite, Keystone Industries

Waterline Treatment Product
Monarch Lines, Air Techniques Inc.

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Award Winning Products & Clinical Problem Solvers

Presented by DENTAL ADVISOR Editor-in-Chief and CEO, Sabiha S. Bunek, DDS



It is often challenging for clinicians to keep abreast of the vast array of materials and equipment on the market. In this course, you will learn which products received high accolades in their particular product category as well as those products that have been identified for solving a particular clinical challenge. For 35 years, DENTAL ADVISOR has provided the dental industry with trusted information on products and equipment. Participants will leave with a valuable update on the latest products and techniques to take back and implement into daily practice for saving time, minimizing stress and maximizing productivity.

Course Objectives:

During this course, Attendees will:

- Understand the process by which products are chosen for awards or as clinical problem solvers.
- Understand products that solve common clinical challenges or that simply increase efficiency and effectiveness.
- Learn about the latest products including features, advantages and techniques for successful clinical use.
- Gain a better understanding of new and exciting areas in dentistry and how to educate themselves and their teams.

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