New products and focus on surgery equipment and periodontology

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ALL-IN-ONE RETRACTION CORD DELIVERY

ShortCut from DUX Dental is an allin-one retraction cord delivery system designed to address the problems and concerns that arise with the use of retraction cord in a bottle. ShortCut modernises retraction cord delivery with a click dispenser and built-in cutter.

Dispensing cord with *ShortCut* is far less cumbersome than the current cord



in the bottle method and definitely more efficient, convenient and hygienic.

Problems like cord tangled in the bottle, cord slipping down into the bottle or cord falling down after being cut are a thing of the past with *ShortCut*. It dispenses the same amount of cord with each use. With the built-in cutter, sterile scissors are not required. Once the desired amount of cord is dispensed, a squeeze on the dispenser activates the cutting blade.

ShortCut also improves infection control because the end of the cord is not exposed until it is ready for use, and the device can easily be disinfected. It also has a waterproof label.

ShortCut is available with Gingi-BRAID+ retraction cords inside.

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ENHANCED FUNCTIONALITY

VistaScan digital radiography can help the practitioner improve the patient experience, manage consultation time, and has significant advantages over the more rigid charged coupled device (CCD) system.

With the VistaScan, images can be processed in seconds and the accompanying software allows image enhancement and manipulation, so detail can be viewed at higher resolution for the benefit of the patient and clinician.

Patient understanding of potential treatment options is also improved through the use of VistaScan's drawing tool. Whether a dental implant, single crown or complex bridge work is proposed, this functionality allows the potential solution to be pencilled onto the proposed site during the con-

sultation and can be printed and stored electronically for future reference.

Storage is virtual by linkage to the practice management software enabling allocation to electronic patient records. This also allows easy comparison between existing and future images to check disease progression or treatment outcome as well as the ability to send images to referring colleagues.

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TREATMENT CENTRES THAT CATER TO YOU

Takara Belmont's Cleo II and Clesta II Treatment Centres both come in 'A' (air) and 'E' (electric) versions. The electric operator console includes an integrated micromotor with incorporated digital display which features full endo/auto reverse and torque control features.

A separate table top micromotor is not required for these features as it is a simple build in option for the main unit. The LED reassuringly displays speed and all other relevant instrument related information.

With speeds fluctuating from 100 rpm to 200,000 rpm (when used in conjunction with a speed increasing handpiece), the user can cut through enamel more effectively than a turbine. This reduces time for procedures and requires fewer handpieces.

The Cleo II and Clesta II cater for even the most demanding of requirements. The Cabinet Module, Mobile Cart and Over-the-Patient options, for example, are available in both air and electric.

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