PRODUCT NEWS

EFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE FOR PERIODONTAL TREATMENT

PerioChip is a small, biodegradable chip indicated for insertion in periodontal pockets of 5 mm or greater.

With 36% chlorhexidine digluconate in every chip, this adjunct to scaling and root planing (SRP) has proven effective at eliminating 99% of periopathogenic bacteria and can also prove to be of invaluable help at reducing pocket depths in your patients.

Two multi-centre studies conducted in the United States show that twice as many subjects treated with PerioChip + SRP showed an improvement in pocket depth of 2 mm or more at nine months versus subjects treated with SRP alone.

When helping your patients fight periodontitis, you need all the assistance you can get. It is great to know that you can use the clinical efficacy of PerioChip.

Prescribing information, including side effects, precautions and contraindications is available on request.

For more information or to contact the team behind PerioChip, email team@periochip.co.uk or call 0800 013 2333.



IS YOUR SUCTION SAFE?

Regularly flushing out suction units with water is not enough to fight biofilm build-up. Nor does simply using cleaning agents provide a solution, because germs and germ-infested films can remain behind.

The argument that, in general, wholesale removal of biofilm is not possible has not been proven. In the opinion of Dürr Dental, it is rather the degree of contamination that is crucial. Regular application of disinfectants always protects against biofilm formation.

Nor is it true that only aggressive disinfectants, which do long-term damage to the unit, are effective. It is indisputable that not every disinfectant is suited to this special area. Depending on active ingredients, pH-values and physical conditions, the potential effectiveness of many products is not realised. Chemical agents such as aldehyde and alcohols even contribute to making biofilm more difficult to penetrate.

Operators should be absolutely certain that preparations have been formulated specifically for disinfection of suction units such as Orotol plus. This solution is suited to simultaneous disinfection, cleaning, deodorising and care of suction units and amalgam separators. Thanks to its bactericidal, fungicidal, tuberculocidal and limited virucidal properties, it reliably dissolves and disinfects biofilm and prevents clogging caused by blood and proteins. At the same time, its material compatibility helps maintain system parts.

Find out more at: www.duerrdental.de.

TEETH TICKLED PINK

After the success of the black DiamondClean launch last year, Philips has now launched a stunning pink DiamondClean to complement it.

The brush features five modes to allow users to modify their brushing according to their needs and their desires - as well as their dental professional's advice; programmes include Clean, which is the standard mode for a whole mouth clean: White, which removes surface stains to whiten the teeth; Polish, which brightens and buffs the teeth to bring out their natural brilliance; Gum Care, which stimulates the gums for improved periodontal health; and Sensitive, which is an extra-gentle mode for sensitive teeth.

Philips Sonicare AirFloss has also had a makeover and is now also available in glorious pink. This multi-award winning interdental cleaning device is aimed at the 78% of patients who are inconsistent or non-flossers and fires micro-bursts of air and water (or mouthwash) between the teeth, allowing a whole mouth clean in 30 seconds at the touch of a button. The device has been proven to work in a recent super

study which was conducted with 670 inconsistently flossing patients with mild to moderate gingivitis.

The two limited edition pink products were on sale at Philips' stand at BDIA Dental Showcase and are available until

the end of the year, while stocks last.

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MAKE LIFE EASIER WITH LOCUMS

As part of its efforts to increase ease of access to locums, Integrated Dental Holdings (IDH) has launched a new online Locum Talent Pool.

The new portal is designed to help IDH practice managers find registered locums in their local area more easily, as well as making it more straightforward for locums to find IDH placements.

For locum clinicians, it offers greater control and flexibility for their work. Once registered, they can pick and choose the most suitable locations for them. Each clinician can update and amend their profile and availability as many times as they choose to reflect changes in their career or their circumstances.

The Locum Talent Pool means IDH practice managers will have greater control over their business when locum support is required. Practice managers will have the choice and importantly, the final say over who comes to work in their practice. Clinicians joining the pool will find their details available to practice managers in the locations that they have specified they are willing to work. Practice managers will also be able to contact locums directly, to agree days and start dates.

The new system has been designed to improve the speed and ease of access to locum support when it is needed.

To register on the Locum Talent Pool visit http://idhcareers.co.uk/ dental-careers/our-roles/qualified/ locums/.