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Don't let your practice reach the news for the wrong reasons

A recent news piece has revealed that over 500 patients have been recommended to get tests for HIV and other bloodborne diseases following the use of unclean equipment at a dental practice in Hertfordshire.

As well as being a scary time for these patients, this once again highlights the importance of proper infection control in dental practices. Make sure you're compliant and are protecting your patients from these risks by using a trusted autoclave such as the Little Sister SES 2020N from Eschmann.

Able to accommodate five full size instrument trays and perform rapid cycles with active drying, the autoclave is fully geared towards the needs of the modern professional.

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A new development

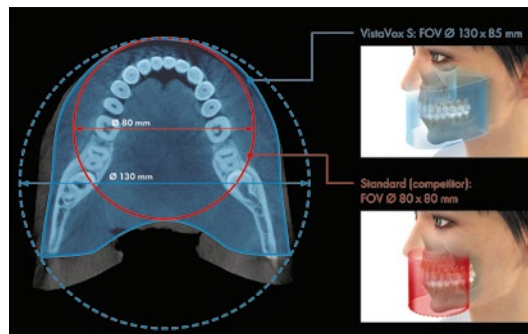
Dürr Dental have developed an extended version of their VistaVox S panoramic machine which contains six additional programmes for time-saving cephalometric exposure with minimum radiation doses, called VistaVox S Ceph.

As you'd expect from Dürr, exceptional diagnostics and ease of use are guaranteed. Alongside the 17 panoramic programmes, the VistaVox S Ceph has several orthodontic applications, including 'Lateral Head', 'Full Lateral Head', 'PA Head' and 'Waters View'. The unit is as fast as it is smart – with a scan time of just 1.9 seconds, images are exceptionally sharp using the lowest possible radiation dose. This functionality is afforded by the high-sensitivity CSL sensors. The unit can effortlessly switch between the

3D X-Ray and the Ceph boom, a process that on some machines can be both cumbersome and risky.

Just like the VistaVox S it has a perfect 3D imaging volume of 130mm (compared to 80x80mm for most other systems). This means it completely covers the whole diagnostically relevant area, including the rear molars, an essential requirement for diagnosing an impacted wisdom tooth. Enhanced visibility does not require a higher radiation dose; in fact, the opposite is true. A special curved path, which rotates 540°, in combination with a tightly collimated fan beam and a highly sensitive Csl sensor, means that a particularly low radiation dose is used.

Similarly to the VistaVox S, this enhanced model offers 50 x 50mm volumes, for indications that only require a certain part of the jaw region to be shown, e.g. for endodontic or implant treatments. The unit offers true all-in-one capabilities for a full range of diagnostics making it ideal for dentists, orthodontists or those who work within larger practices offering a full range of specialist treatments.



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