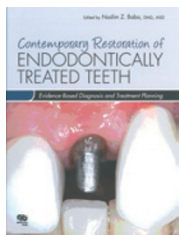


I conclude that this evidence-based text should be essential reading for every orthodontist and orthodontic student. Upon reflection, I would like to echo the sentiments of the contributors: our future clinical decisions should involve integration of the best available evidence, alongside clinical expertise and individual patient values, to provide treatment that is proven to be both safe and effective.

M. McErlain

CONTEMPORARY RESTORATION OF ENDODONTICALLY TREATED TEETH



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Quintessence
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With the ever increasing use of implants, in recent years less focus has been placed on the subject of restoring endodontic and broken down teeth.

Contemporary restoration of endodontically treated teeth explores a range of issues involved in treatment for root treated teeth. The book is aimed at dentists wishing to improve on their restorative skills in difficult situations, building on their current practice and providing alternative treatment options – rather than rushing for extractions or suspicious ‘herodontics’.

The four main divisions of the book include treatment planning, methods of restoration of endodontically treated teeth, management of severely damaged endodontically treated teeth, and treatment of complications and failures. This covers a range of topics, all in a concise format that is easy to read. This is enhanced by high quality pictures that show step-by-step approaches to treatment. Throughout the book, the importance of evidence-based research is stressed and statements are based on clinical articles, arguing pros and cons of every method. Case reports are also used to illustrate how techniques have worked in clinical situations.

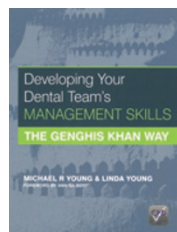
Some of the material and nomenclature may sound a little alien as the authors are of American origin. This may mean that some of the information

discussed in the book may not be as relevant in the UK and should be noted.

I have found this book to be a valuable source of information. It displays theoretical knowledge with more than just an insight on how to use this clinically. Although some of the treatment options discussed are radical for use in the general dental setting, it shows what options are available to the patient. In summary, this book is an excellent way to expand your knowledge on restoring teeth that may have been previously thought of as unrestorable. Of course this is associated with risks and is very technique sensitive and therefore the fact that topics are discussed wholly is very important. The book would primarily benefit clinicians who already have an interest in restorative dentistry, although even the new dentist would find it an interesting read.

S. Venugopal

DEVELOPING YOUR DENTAL TEAM'S MANAGEMENT SKILLS THE GENGHIS KHAN WAY



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Developing your dental team's management skills: the Genghis Khan way, published in 2013, has been designed specifically to be used together with a previous resource published in 2010 called *Managing a dental practice: the Genghis Khan way*. Apparently, the publishers have called this bundle ‘The Genghis Khan way’ books, considered to be ‘ideal for developing a happy team and a successful dental practice’.

Before going further, it should be pointed out that the first book became the 2011 winner of the Diagram prize for the oddest book title of the year. The publisher has tried to explain away the use of the notorious ‘Genghis Khan’ in the book title; ‘Although some in the West see him in negative terms, the Mongol leader created one of the world's greatest empires. His hugely successful strategies included intelligence

gathering, understanding his rivals' motivations, being quick to learn and adopt new technologies and ideas, and successful people management’.

From the title alone, one can tell that this text provides training of management skills for the staff of the dental practice. Having used ring-binding and relatively large font size, the book is presented as a training manual. The first lesson is called ‘What is personal development planning?’ The next three sections have headings of: preparation, people and planning.

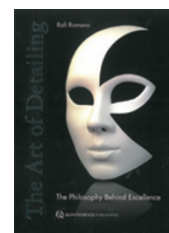
Most of the lessons are concerned with ‘understanding’. For example, under Section 1: ‘Preparation’, the title of the lesson is ‘Understanding – what is management?’ Within Section 2: ‘People’, there are seven lessons consisting of: two lessons on patients, four lessons on the employee, and one lesson on the practice manager. The third section ‘Planning’ covers legal and regulatory framework, mission statement, objectives, strategic planning, business plan, quality, planning for disaster, policy and procedure, and managing change.

Each lesson contains outcomes, background reading and activities. For obvious reasons, there are a lot of background readings based on the contents of the authors' first book. Other background reading involves internet search on related topics. Activities include open discussion, small group brainstorming on case study, working in pairs to devise a plan or prepare a presentation.

Overall this is a very hands-on training manual that requires members of a dental team to give dedicated time and efforts to acquire the management skills.

C. A. Yeung

THE ART OF DETAILING: THE PHILOSOPHY BEHIND EXCELLENCE



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The art of detailing is the final book in a trilogy by Rafi Romano, a Tel Aviv-

based specialist in orthodontics and dento-facial orthopedics. The author aims to illustrate the treatment philosophies of world-renowned specialists in prosthodontics, periodontics, orthodontics, implantology, dental technology, maxillofacial surgery and restorative dentistry through a series of interdisciplinary treated cases.

The book comprises 28 chapters and is beautifully presented and reader friendly. It is made up of four sections. The first covers patient evaluation and diagnosis in relation to multidisciplinary treated cases with high aesthetic needs and highlights the importance of understanding the management of occlusion when treatment planning.

Interdisciplinary treatment planning of implant cases including complex cases, treatment of an implant failure and an innovative approach to guided bone regeneration forms the majority of the second section.

The third section covers the minimally invasive approach to restorative dentistry. A series of differing restorative cases are used to illustrate important aesthetic and restorative dental procedures used in common clinical situations.

A range of patient-centred cases is presented in the final section, which emphasises the need to tailor treatment to the individual patients' needs.

In each chapter the case treated is discussed in relation to the philosophical basis of the clinician for the treatment provided, why that particular case was chosen and any special challenges met by the clinician. In addition, a retrospective evaluation of the case is provided whereby the treatment is appraised and assessed as to how it could have been improved upon.

The quality of illustrations is excellent. The patient records presented include numerous before and after, life-like colour photographs that comprehensively show the stepwise stages of the clinical treatment and in certain cases the accompanying technical and laboratory procedures. This gives the reader a clear understanding and is complimented by the accompanying text, which is concise yet fully explains the treatment stages.

This book provides a philosophy of excellence based upon sound interdisciplinary assessment, diagnosis and treatment planning for many everyday clinical situations, producing optimal results.

Overall this is a substantial, very well illustrated and very readable book. It provides key learning in the theoretical and practical multidisciplinary approach to assessment, diagnosis and treatment planning of simple and complex cases experienced by the specialist and general dental practitioner. The author manages to navigate the reader through a complex subject in a straightforward and approachable way.

M. O'Donovan

ITI TREATMENT GUIDE VOLUME 6: EXTENDED EDENTULOUS SPACES IN THE ESTHETIC ZONE



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Quintessence
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An extended edentulous space in the aesthetic zone is described by many as the most challenging situation in implant dentistry. Written by a team of experts, this text aims to provide clinicians with practice orientated and evidence-based information on procedures for placing and restoring multiple implants in such situations.

The text is broken up into nine well laid-out chapters. It begins with a review of the available evidence upon which the text is based. Usefully, it sounds words of caution for areas where the current literature is lacking.

It moves on to an excellent chapter on pre-operative evaluation and treatment planning. Risk assessment is an important factor for the planning of any case and here the chapter excels by providing several easy to follow tables that act as a quick reference guide for classifying case complexity.

Surgical considerations are discussed in depth. Cone-beam CT images back up the recommended prosthodontically-driven approach to surgical planning. There is plenty of information

on timing of implant placement after extractions, degree of ridge resorption, the conditions required for a staged or simultaneous bone augmentation approach, and number and location of implants required for different cases.

A chapter on prosthodontic considerations follows. Each step from provisionalisation to final restoration is explained in detail. The use of screw or cement-retained implants is compared, along with a description of factors to be considered in abutment selection.

Chapter six is the highlight of this text. Nine clinical cases are presented and described in fascinating detail. They cover everything from the initial complaint, to treatment planning, to procedural techniques. There are exceptional photographs to describe each stage and all cases vary, covering a diverse range of situations.

The text ends with a useful chapter on causes, prevention and management of complications, with real-life examples providing the realisation that this treatment option is not without risk.

In summary, I found this text very educational. The easy to follow layout eases your understanding of the various steps involved in formulating a complex treatment plan, whilst also providing plenty of useful information that can be taken and used in any case. Everything is backed up with high-quality images and descriptions of real-life examples. I would highly recommend the text to anyone with a keen interest in implants. It assumes a good understanding of implantology already, but I would not let this dissuade the novice from reading it.

E. Nugent