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## **Preface**

Identifying dental instruments is essential for every member of the dental team. The small, detailed nature of the instruments and the large number of instruments in dental practice makes learning this skill a daunting task.

This textbook was written in response to needs expressed by dental assisting students. Students asked for a book that was exclusively about dental instruments, that had clear distinctive pictures of the instruments, and that was concisely written. Comprehensive dental textbooks contain descriptions of dental instruments, but they are scattered throughout the textbook and generally are not discussed in as much detail. Students also suggested something that was portable, that they could take home to study or carry with them to the clinical area as a quick reference guide. The result was the first edition of *Dental Instruments: A Pocket Guide to Identification*. With the encouragement of Kathy Booth of Total Care Programming, Inc., a companion CD was developed to provide additional interactive learning experiences. Although this book was written in response to requests of dental assisting students, it is also useful for dental hygiene and beginning dental students.

This second edition includes new chapters of study about instruments used in diagnosis and treatment planning, the dental laboratory, dental radiography, and infection control. The second edition is also

enhanced with updated technology, related equipment, tray set-ups for numerous dental procedures, and in-use photos and diagrams.

My book, *Clinical Primer: A Pocket Guide for Dental Assistants*, is another resource book for students as they transition from the classroom to clinical practice. This book and companion CD is a quick reference and review of tooth anatomy, cavity classifications and charting, dental instruments, radiography technique, clinical procedures and tray set-ups, manipulation and usage of dental materials, and Internet resources.

#### To the Students:

Mastering instrument identification and the organization of instruments and materials for specific procedures is essential for success as a clinical dental auxiliary.

This book is designed to introduce you to instruments by name, function, procedure, and tray set-up. The flash card style can be used in the classroom and for independent study as you master identification of the instruments used in all areas of dentistry. The instrument's image is shown on a separate page facing the description. Once you become familiar with the instruments, the book can be folded over and the images can be used as flashcards for self-testing.

There are 16 *chapters of study* organizing the instruments and equipment by functions and procedures, from basic hand instruments to all specialty areas. The companion CD includes all of the instruments in an interactive format as well as games, crossword puzzles, and other learning activities. Once you are in a clinical setting, the book can continue to be used as a quick reference guide.



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# Exam and Basic Hand Instruments



#### INTRODUCTION TO DENTAL HAND INSTRUMENTS

Dental hand instruments are made of metal alloy or plastic resin. They are named according to their use or shape or named for the designer of the instrument.

Hand instruments may be single- or double-ended. Advantages of double-ended: two sizes of the same design in one instrument, two different working ends in one instrument, or two directions of use in one instrument (right/left).

There are three parts of a hand instrument:

- **1.** Working end. The design determines the function and may be a beveled cutting edge (chisel), a point (explorer), a nib (amalgam condenser), a blade (composite instrument) or beaks (pliers).
- **2.** Shank. Portion of the instrument that connects the handle and the working end. The shank may be straight or angled to provide better access to different areas of the mouth.
- 3. Handle or shaft. Rounded or hexagonal in different diameters and materials for better fit and grip.







## MIRROR, MOUTH

**FUNCTION:** To view tissues of the oral cavity and reflect light for better visibility

**FEATURES:** Front surface or plane reflective surface. Front surface mirrors reflect from the

front of the glass providing a distortion-free reflection.

Mirror sizes #2-#5 (3/4"-15/16")

Magnifying and double-sided also available

Reusable handles in cone socket or simple stem design

**TRAY SET-UP:** Exam and Basic Set-up, component of most procedural tray set-ups

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Also used to retract and protect tongue and cheek



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#### **EXPLORER**

**FUNCTION:** To examine tooth surfaces for caries, calculus, or defects using sense of touch (tactile)

**FEATURES:** Thin, sharp working end comes in different designs

Common styles are the #1, 2 (pigtail), 11/12, 17, and 23 (Shepard's hook)

May be single- or double-ended (different design on each side)

**TRAY SET-UP:** Exam and Basic Set-up, component

of most procedural tray set-ups

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Also used to:

Check fit of margins of restorations

Evaluate root surfaces and furcation area in periodontal

exam (11/12)





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Remove excess material from restoration or preparation

Remove excess cement



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### **COTTON PLIERS**

**FUNCTION:** To place and remove small objects from the oral cavity (i.e., cotton pellets, root

canal instruments, wedges)

**FEATURES:** Serrated or nonserrated beaks, locking or nonlocking handles

Also known as College pliers or dressing pliers

**TRAY SET-UP:** Exam and Basic Set-up, component of most procedural tray set-ups

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Also used to retrieve materials from drawers and containers to avoid

cross-contamination







### PERIODONTAL PROBE

**FUNCTION:** To measure depth of gingival sulcus

**FEATURES:** Blunt or rounded tip

Flat or cylindrical work-

ing end

Line or colored millimeter markings in variety of

increments

Metal or plastic in white or yellow with colored

markings

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TRAY SET-UP: Periodontal exam

May be part of Basic Set-up in some offices

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Also used to measure gingival recession



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### **SALIVA EJECTOR TIP**

**FUNCTION:** To remove saliva and maintain dry field using low-volume evacuation

**FEATURES:** Disposable plastic

Some designed with attached tongue deflector

TRAY SET-UP: Exam and Basic Set-up, component of most procedural tray set-ups. Used primarily

when operator is working alone (sealants, coronal polishing, fluoride treatments,

taking impressions, cementing crowns)







### **ORAL EVACUATOR TIP**

**FUNCTION:** To maintain a dry working field by removing saliva, blood, and debris with high-

volume evacuation

**FEATURES:** Disposable plastic, sterilizable metal or plastic

Straight or angled with beveled ends

Surgical Aspirator (see Chapter 11 ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

INSTRUMENTS)

Also known as Aspirator, High Volume Evacuator, Suction, or Vacuum tip

**TRAY SET-UP:** Exam and Basic Set-up, component of most procedural tray set-ups

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Effective use of oral evacuator reduces microbial aerosols. Also assists in retracting

and protecting tongue and cheek. On/off control is located on the suction tubing.



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## ISOLITE, i2 PER MANUFACTURER DRYFIELD

**FUNCTION:** To provide internal illumination, aspiration, throat protection, and tongue and

cheek retraction all in one device

**FEATURES:** Available in five sizes: pediatric, adult small, adult medium, adult medium deep

vestibule, and adult large

Disposable mouthpiece; autoclavable control



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#### **ANESTHETIC SYRINGE**

**FUNCTION:** To deliver local anesthesia to intraoral site

**FEATURES:** Aspirating and Non-aspirating

TRAY SET-UP: Restorative, Fixed Prosthodontic, Endodontic, Periodontic, Oral and Maxillofacial

**Surgery Treatment Procedures** 

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** An aspirating syringe has a harpoon on the end of the piston, the nonaspirating

syringe does not. With pressure, the harpoon imbeds in the rubber stopper of the anesthetic cartridge. As the dentist begins the injection, he/she draws back on the thumb ring, pulling the harpoon and the rubber stopper back and creating a vacuum. This will draw in (aspirate) fluid from the farthest end of the needle. If blood comes back into the cartridge, the dentist will reposition the needle to

prevent injecting anesthetic agent into a blood vessel.







### **INTRALIGAMENT SYRINGE**

**FUNCTION:** Alternative method of delivering local anesthesia; generally to supplement a nerve

block. Injection is made in the periodontal ligament space.

**FEATURES:** Delivers calibrated amount of anesthetic with each click of the lever

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Uses 30-gauge short needles and standard 1.8-ml anesthetic cartridges



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### LOCAL ANESTHESIA ACCESSORIES

### **1.** Anesthetic needles:

Two lengths—1" (short) and 1 5/8" (long)

Three gauges (diameter)—25 gauge, 27 gauge, and 30 gauge

Some manufacturers identify gauge by color-coding caps

Available with plastic or metal hubs

### **2.** Anesthetic cartridges:

Glass vial containing anesthetic solution such as lidocaine (Xylocaine), mepivacaine (Carbocaine), prilocaine (Citanest), and bupivacaine (Marcaine).

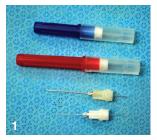
Aluminum cap with rubber diaphragm that needle penetrates at one end of cartridge.

Rubber stopper at the other end.

Cartridges are sterile and sealed in "blister packs."

Color coded and labeled with type of anesthetic solution and amount of vasoconstrictor.

- **3.** Recapper: Needles may be used more than one time during a procedure and must be recapped to avoid accidental exposure. For safety, this must be done by using a recapper or the one-handed scoop technique.
- **4.** Sharps container: Needles and other disposable sharps must be disposed of in a labeled, puncture-proof container.









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### TRAY SET-UPS

- Assembling all instruments and materials needed for a procedure
- Instruments for a given procedure are sterilized together in a bag or a wrap. Instruments remain in the sterile wrap until the time of use.
- Instruments are arranged on the tray from left to right in their order of use







### ORAL EXAM AND BASIC SET-UP

- **1.** Mouth mirror
- **2.** Explorer
- **3.** Periodontal probe
- **4.** Cotton pliers
- **5.** Air/water syringe tip
- **6.** Oral evacuator tip
- 7. Saliva ejector tip
- **8.** 2 × 2 gauze

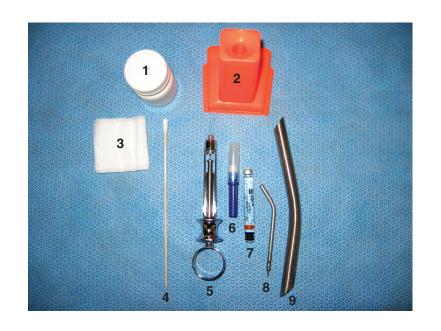




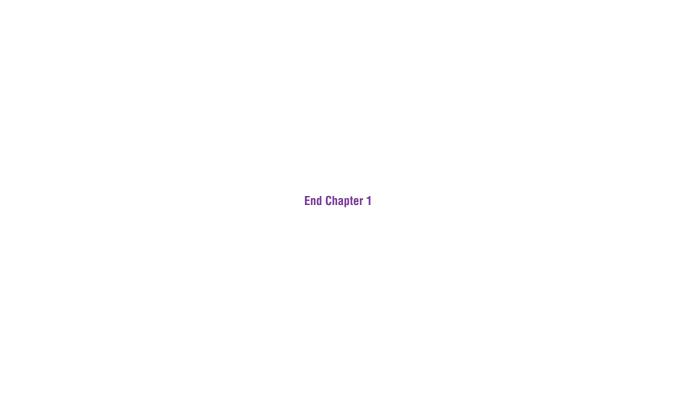


### **LOCAL ANESTHESIA SET-UP**

- **1.** Topical anesthetic
- **2.** Needle recapper
- **3.**  $2 \times 2$  gauze
- **4.** Cotton applicator
- **5.** Anesthetic syringe
- 6. Anesthetic needle
- **7.** Anesthetic cartridge
- **8.** Air/water syringe tip
- **9.** Oral evacuator tip









# Diagnostic and Treatment Planning Instruments



### **CANCER SCREENING SYSTEMS**

**FUNCTION:** To detect abnormal tissue appearance; determine appropriate surgical margins

**FEATURES:** Handpiece device utilizes three wavelengths, including both reflectance and fluores-

cence, to visualize abnormal tissue

Trimira® Identafi® 3000 ultra and VELscope light emitting diode (LED) are two of the systems available for oral cancer screening



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# OralCDx®

**FUNCTION:** To obtain a sample of cells from small, white or red intraoral lesions for laboratory

analysis

**FEATURES:** Brush biopsy

Laboratory tissue test

Painless precancer screening (dysplasia) and cancer screening

Minimal or no bleeding



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### **CARIES DETECTION DEVICES**

**FUNCTION:** To aid in early detection of dental caries; indicates decal-

cification of tooth structure

**FEATURES:** 

Handpiece device utilizes light waves (laser, LED, or infrared) and fluorescence to distinguish between healthy tooth tissue and diseased tooth tissue

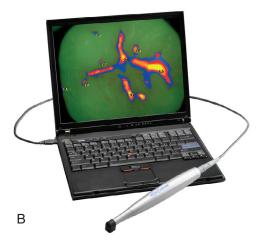
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### LOUPES

**FUNCTION:** Enhances ability to see small structures and minute detail

Improves accuracy and effectiveness during treatment procedures

**FEATURES:** Optical device

Provides magnification

Available in clip on loupes (attach to safety glasses or headband) or through-

the-lens loupes (optics built into lens of eyeglasses)









### FIBEROPTIC HEADLIGHT

**FUNCTION:** Provides direct illumination to the oral cavity enhancing visualization of the treat-

ment area

**FEATURES:** High intensity LED light source

Battery powered

attaches to loupes or headband

Light intensity control

Filters available to prevent premature curing of composite and bonding materials







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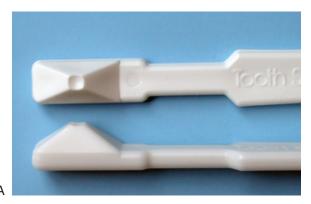


# TOOTH SLOOTH®

**FUNCTION:** Diagnostic device to aid in detection of tooth fractures

**FEATURES:** Sterilizable plastic bite stick

Indentation on domed working end concentrates biting force on one cusp



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### INTRAORAL CAMERA

**FUNCTION:** To illuminate and visualize teeth and oral structures

Used for treatment planning and patient education

**FEATURES:** LED camera in lightweight handpiece

Images viewed on computer monitor





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# LIP AND CHEEK RETRACTORS

**FUNCTION:** To retract lips and cheeks for unobstructed view especially for intraoral

photography

**TRAY SET-UP:** Examination, especially in cosmetic case presentations and orthodontics

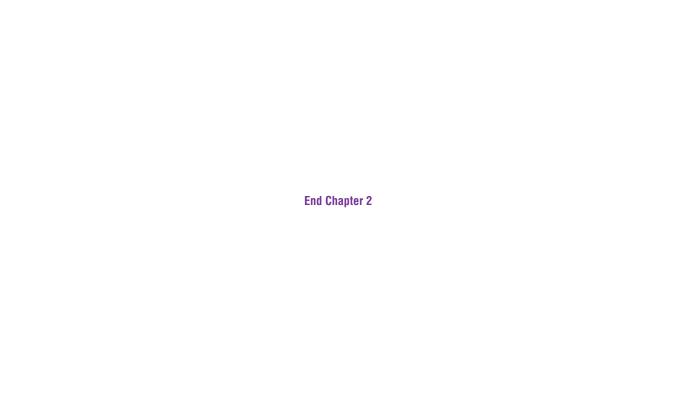


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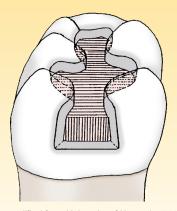


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### **SPOON EXCAVATORS**

**FUNCTION:** To remove soft decay and other materials such as temporary restorations and

cement from tooth

**FEATURES:** Rounded, scoop-like working end

Multiple sizes in "spoon" or "blade" shape

Design of instrument makes it useful for many tasks

**TRAY SET-UP:** Amalgam, composite, crown and bridge



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### **ENAMEL HATCHET**

**FUNCTION:** To remove decay and refine cavity preparation

**FEATURES:** Right and left designs

Several sizes of width and length of blade Usually double ended (right end, left end)

**TRAY SET-UP:** Amalgam, composite

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** The use of hand cutting instruments for cavity preparation has declined with

improvements in rotary instrument design and changes in restorative techniques.

Use is dependent upon individual dentist's preferences.



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### STRAIGHT CHISEL

**FUNCTION:** To remove decay and refine cavity preparation; pushing motion

**FEATURES:** Straight shank

Working end in several widths

**TRAY SET-UP:** Amalgam, composite

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** The use of hand cutting instruments for cavity preparation has declined with

improvements in rotary instrument design and changes in restorative techniques.

Use is dependent upon individual dentist's preferences.



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## **BINANGLE CHISEL**

**FUNCTION:** To remove decay and refine cavity preparation; pushing motion

**FEATURES:** Angled shank

Working end in several widths

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam, composite

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** The use of hand cutting instruments for cavity preparation has declined with

improvements in rotary instrument design and changes in restorative techniques.

Use is dependent upon individual dentist's preferences.



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## WEDELSTAEDT CHISEL

**FUNCTION:** To remove decay and refine cavity preparation; pushing motion

**FEATURES:** Curved shank

Working end in several widths

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam, composite

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** The use of hand cutting instruments for cavity preparation has declined with

improvements in rotary instrument design and changes in restorative techniques.

Use is dependent upon individual dentist's preferences.



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## **HOE EXCAVATOR**

**FUNCTION:** To remove decay and refine cavity preparation; pulling motion

**FEATURES:** Variety of angled shanks

Several sizes of width and length of blade

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam, composite

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** The use of hand cutting instruments for cavity preparation has declined with

improvements in rotary instrument design and changes in restorative techniques.

Use is dependent upon individual dentist's preferences.









#### ANGLE FORMER

**FUNCTION:** To remove decay and refine cavity preparation especially line angles and point

angles; pushing motion

**FEATURES:** Angled cutting edge

Angled shank

Several sizes of width and length of blade

**TRAY SET-UP:** Amalgam, composite

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** The use of hand cutting instruments for cavity preparation has declined with

improvements in rotary instrument design and changes in restorative techniques.

Use is dependent upon individual dentist's preferences.



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#### **GINGIVAL MARGIN TRIMMER**

**FUNCTION:** To remove decay and refine cavity preparation,

especially to bevel the gingival margin of the

cavity preparation

**FEATURES:** Similar to enamel hatchet except that the blade

is curved

Mesial and distal margin trimmers

Right and left designs

Several sizes of width and length of blade Usually double ended (right end, left end)

**TRAY SET-UP:** Amalgam, composite

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** The use of hand cutting instruments for cavity

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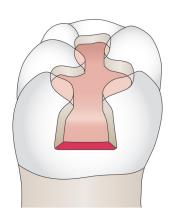
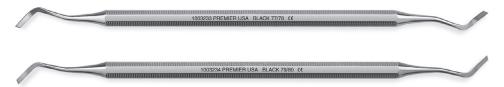
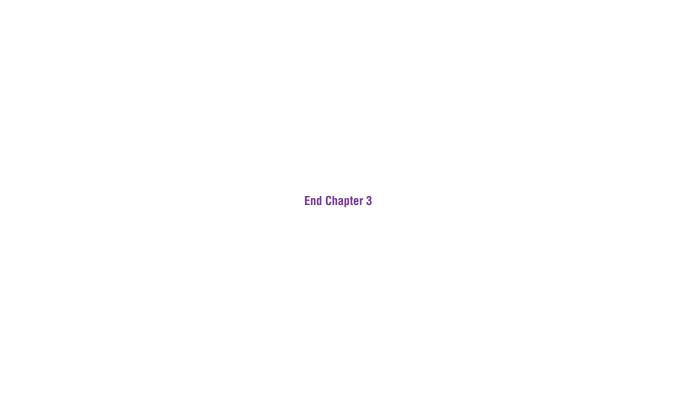


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# Restorative Instruments



## **AMALGAM CARRIERS**

**FUNCTION:** To pick up, carry to, and place amalgam in prepared cavity

**FEATURES:** Sizes of working end: mini, regular, large, and jumbo

Single and double ended

Lever or syringe style

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam

CLINICAL APPLICATION: After mixing (triturating) alloy and mercury, amalgam is placed in amalgam well or

on cotton squeeze cloth for loading the amalgam carrier



(A) Syringe style amalgam carrier courtesy of Premier Dental Products, www.premusa.com, (B) Lever style amalgam carrier and (C) amalgam well and squeeze cloth courtesy of Patterson Dental, www.pattersondental.com





#### **AMALGAM CONDENSERS**

**FUNCTION:** To compact amalgam in the cavity

preparation

**FEATURES:** Working ends are called "nibs"

Various sizes and shapes of working end: round, oval, diamond,

rectangular

Smooth or serrated tips

Single and double ended

Also known as amalgam plugger

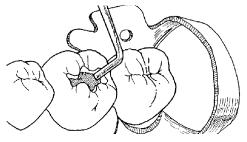


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TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Once amalgam hardens on an instrument, it is very difficult to remove. It is

important to remove any remaining bits of amalgam from the working ends

before cleaning and sterilization.



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## **BURNISHER—BALL**

**FUNCTION:** To smooth and shape metal restorations (amalgams), smooth rough margins

(temporary crowns), and shape metal matrix bands

FEATURES: Round ball working end

Often double ended with two sizes

**TRAY SET-UP:** Amalgam, crown and bridge preparation

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## **BURNISHER—POINTED BALL**

## Also known as "Anatomical Carver" or acorn burnisher

**FUNCTION:** To smooth and shape metal restorations (amalgams)

**FEATURES:** Pointed ball working end

Often double ended with two sizes

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam



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## **BURNISHER—FOOTBALL**

**FUNCTION:** To smooth and shape metal restorations (amal-

gams), smooth rough margins (temporary crowns), and shape metal matrix bands

**FEATURES:** Football-shaped working

end

Often double ended with

two sizes

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam, crown and

bridge preparation

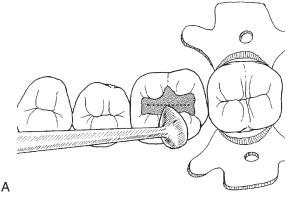


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## **BURNISHER—T-BALL**

**FUNCTION:** To smooth and shape metal restorations (amalgams), smooth rough margins

(temporary crowns), and shape metal matrix bands

**FEATURES:** "T" shaped working end with small ball on one side of "T" and paddle

on the other

**TRAY SET-UP:** Amalgam, crown and bridge preparation



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## **BURNISHER—BEAVERTAIL**

**FUNCTION:** To smooth and shape metal restorations

FEATURES: Paddle like working end

Often double ended with two sizes

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam

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# AMALGAM CARVERS—DISCOID-CLEOID

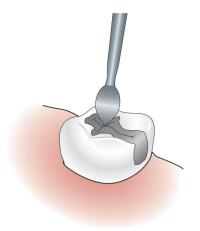
**FUNCTION:** To remove excess and carve anatomy in

amalgam or wax

FEATURES: Discoid—disc-shaped end

Cleoid—pointed, spade-shaped end

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam





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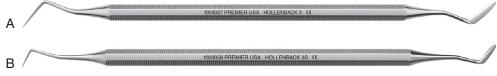
## AMALGAM CARVERS—HOLLENBACK CARVER

**FUNCTION:** To remove excess and carve anatomy in amalgam or wax

**FEATURES:** Paddle-like working ends with thin edges

Two sizes—smaller version is called a Half Hollenback

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam



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## **PLASTIC INSTRUMENT**

**FUNCTION:** To place moldable ("plastic") restorative materials and cements in the cavity

preparation

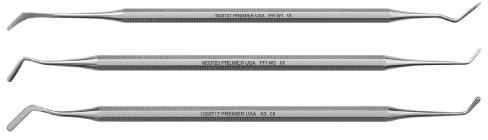
**FEATURES:** Double ended with a non-cutting blade on each end or a nib on one end and a blade

on the other

Many varieties in shape and size

Made of metal or plastic

**TRAY SET-UP:** Amalgam, composite, and temporary restoration



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#### **COMPOSITE INSTRUMENT**

**FUNCTION:** To place composite restorative materials in the cavity preparation

Essentially a plastic instrument made of nonstick metal (anodized aluminum or titanium nitride) or made of plastic to prevent sticking, scratching, and

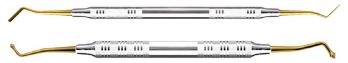
discoloration of the composite

**FEATURES:** Double ended with a non-cutting blade on each end or a nib on one end and a blade

on the other

Many varieties in shape and size

**TRAY SET-UP:** Composite



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# CARVING KNIFE

**FUNCTION:** To remove excess filling material, "flash"

**FEATURES:** Thin, sharp blade designed to provide access to interproximal and other tooth

surfaces

TRAY SET-UP: Composite



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#### **CAVITY LINER APPLICATOR**

**FUNCTION:** To mix and place cavity liner material (calcium hydroxide, glass ionomer) in

prepared cavity

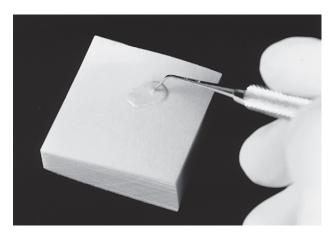
FEATURES: Very small ball working end

Single or double ended

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam, composite



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#### MATRIX BANDS AND RETAINERS—TOFFLEMIRE MATRIX

**FUNCTION:** A matrix band is used when a mesial

or distal tooth surface is missing. It provides a replacement wall to help contour restorative materials during

placement.

**FEATURES:** Metal bands in various gauges and

widths

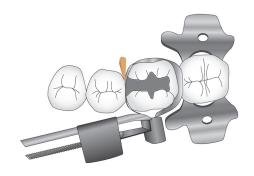
The retainer holds the band tightly

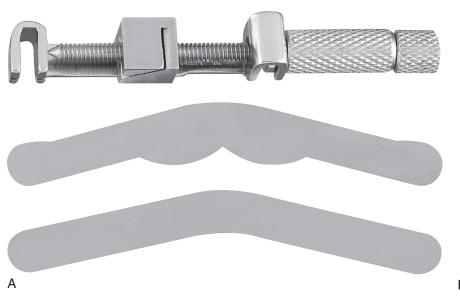
around the tooth

Wooden or plastic wedge adapts the band firmly to the proximal tooth

surface.

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam, composite







(A) Tofflemire matrix retainer and matrix bands courtesy of Miltex, www.miltex.com (B) Wooden wedges





#### MATRIX BANDS AND RETAINERS—SECTIONAL CONTACT MATRIX

**FUNCTION:** A matrix band is used when a mesial or distal tooth surface is missing. It provides a

replacement wall to help contour restorative materials during placement.

**FEATURES:** Sectional matrix in several sizes and shapes

An oval ring holds the kidney-shaped matrix in place

Wooden or plastic wedge adapts the band firmly to the proximal tooth surface

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam, composite



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#### MATRIX BANDS AND RETAINERS—AUTOMATRIX®

**FUNCTION:** A matrix band is used when a mesial or distal tooth surface is missing. It provides a

replacement wall to help contour restorative materials during placement.

**FEATURES:** Preloaded bands

Retainerless system—band tightened with Automate® tightening device

Multiple matrix heights and gauges

Wooden or plastic wedge adapts the band firmly to the proximal tooth surface

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam



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#### MATRIX BANDS AND RETAINERS—PLASTIC MATRIX STRIP AND HOLDER

**FUNCTION:** A matrix band is used when a mesial or distal tooth surface is missing. It provides a

replacement wall to help contour restorative materials during placement.

**FEATURES:** Plastic matrix strip used for anterior composite restorations

TRAY SET-UP: Composite

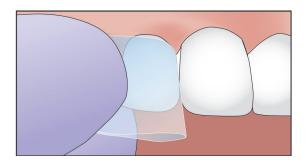


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#### ARTICULATING PAPER FORCEPS

**FUNCTION:** To hold articulating paper over the occlusal surface for checking a patient's

occlusal contacts

TRAY SET-UP: Amalgam, composite, crown and bridge

**ALSO KNOWN AS:** Miller forceps







#### **RESTORATIVE EQUIPMENT**

1. AMALGAMATOR: Mixes amalgam and other restorative materials supplied in premeasured capsules

**2. CURING LIGHT:** High intensity light to cure resin materials (composite restoratives, sealants, resin cement) and activate other light-activated materials (bleach)

LED and halogen technology

Corded and cordless

3. COMPOSITE DISPENSING GUN: Device to dispense restorative materials from unidose compules into tooth

preparations









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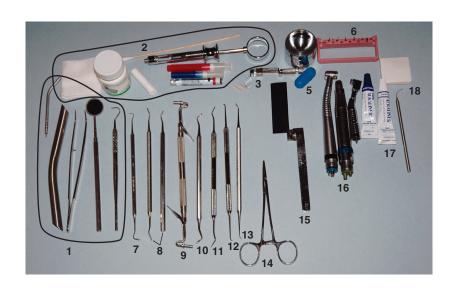


#### **CAVITY PREPARATION AND AMALGAM SET-UP**

**PURPOSE:** To provide instrumentation for removing decay and shaping a cavity to hold a restorative material. This material is contoured to restore normal anatomical form.

- **1.** Basic set-up
- **2.** Local anesthesia set-up
- **3.** Tofflemire matrix band, retainer, and wedges
- 4. Amalgam well
- **5.** Amalgam capsule
- **6.** Cavity preparation burs
- **7.** Spoon excavator
- **8.** Binangle chisel, enamel hatchet (preference of dentist)
- **9.** Amalgam carrier

- 10. Amalgam condenser
- 11. Hollenback carver
- 12. Discoid/cleoid
- **13.** Ball burnisher
- **14.** Hemostat
- **15.** Articulating paper forceps
- **16.** Handpieces (high and low speed)
- **17.** Cavity base/liner
- **18.** Mixing pad and instrument







#### **CAVITY PREPARATION AND COMPOSITE SET-UP**

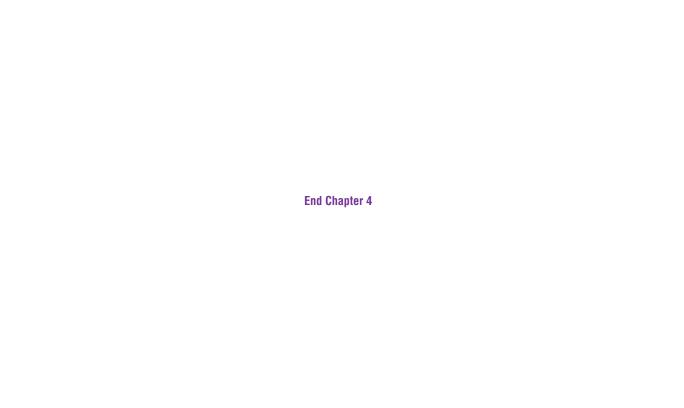
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- **5.** Binangle chisel, enamel hatchet (preference of dentist)
- **6.** Composite placement instrument
- 7. Applicator for bonding agent
- 8. Acid etch

- 9. Plastic matrix band
- **10.** Bonding agent and disposable well
- **11.** Articulating paper forceps
- **12.** Abrasive strip
- **13.** Abrasive discs and polishing points
- **14.** Handpieces (high and slow speed)
- **15.** Composite compule and dispensing gun









# Dental Dam Instruments



#### INDICATIONS FOR THE DENTAL DAM

A dental dam is placed during restorative and endodontic procedures to:

Provide moisture control

Retract gingiva, cheek, and tongue for increased visibility and accessibility of the treatment area

Protect the patient from contact with irritating materials

Prevent the patient from swallowing debris

Reduce the dental team's contact with oral microbes







#### **DENTAL DAM MATERIAL**

**FUNCTION:** Flexible barrier to isolate the operating field

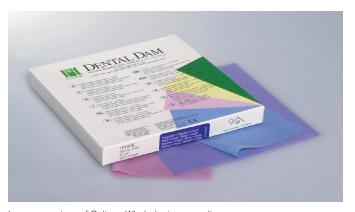
**VARIETIES:** Latex and nonlatex

 $5 \times 5$  or  $6 \times 6$ 

Thin, medium, heavy, X-heavy

Light, dark, green, blue, and assorted pastel colors

Also available with built-in frame





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#### **DENTAL DAM TEMPLATE**

**FUNCTION:** To mark tooth position on the dental dam for punch holes

**VARIETIES:** Circular marks on template correspond to the position and spacing of the teeth in the dental arch

Plastic template or marking stamp

Sized for 5" or 6" dam

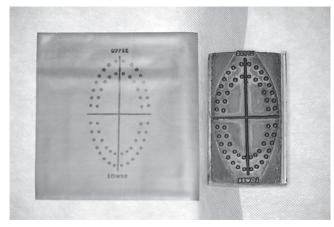
Templates are for ideally positioned teeth, and often hole positions must be CLINICAL APPLICATION:

modified for the individual patient. Templates are helpful when learning but

with experience a template may not be necessary.

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#### **DENTAL DAM PUNCH**

**FUNCTION:** To create proper sized holes in the dam to expose the teeth to be isolated

**FEATURES:** Five punch sizes on a rotating wheel to create holes that are sized correctly for all teeth to be isolated:

No. 5 (largest size punch hole) used for the anchor tooth

No. 4 used for molars

No. 3 used for premolars and canines

No. 2 used for maxillary incisors

No. 1 used for mandibular incisors









#### DENTAL DAM CLAMP—WINGED

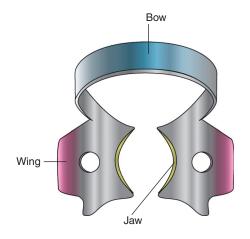
**FUNCTION:** To stabilize and hold the dam in place. The clamp is placed on the

most distal tooth isolated.

**FEATURES:** Various sizes and jaw designs to adapt to cervical areas of specific teeth

Extensions, "wings," on the outside of each jaw allow for simultaneous application of the clamp and

dam material





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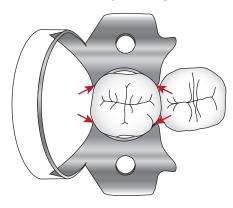


#### DENTAL DAM CLAMP—WINGLESS

**FUNCTION:** To stabilize and hold the dam in place. The clamp is placed on the most distal

tooth isolated.

FEATURES: Various sizes and designs to adapt to cervical areas of specific teeth





(A) Mandibular molar dental dam clamp, (B) maxillary molar left and right dental dam clamps, and (C) premolar dental dam clamp courtesy of Hu-Friedy, www.hu-friedy.com





### DENTAL DAM CLAMP—LABIAL

**FUNCTION:** To stabilize and hold the dam in place. Labial clamps are used for labial caries on

anterior teeth.

**FEATURES:** Bows on mesial and distal



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#### **DENTAL DAM CLAMP FORCEPS**

**FUNCTION:** To place and remove the dental dam clamp

**FEATURES:** Beaks fit into the holes on each jaw of the clamp and spread the clamp slightly to

fit over the anchor tooth.



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# DENTAL DAM FRAME

**FUNCTION:** Stretches and holds the dam away from the working area outside the mouth

**VARIETIES:** U-shaped or round

Metal or plastic (radiolucent)





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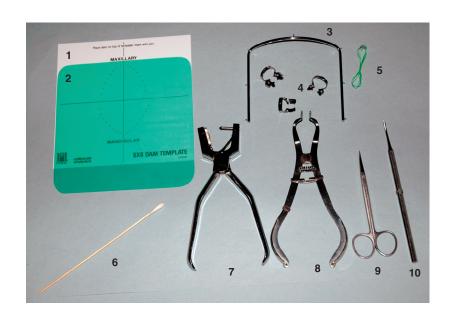


#### **DENTAL DAM SET-UP**

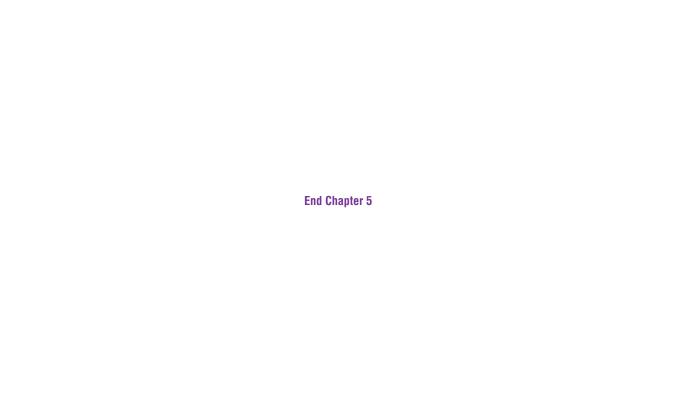
#### PURPOSE:

To provide instrumentation for placing a barrier device for moisture control, patient protection, retraction, and reduction of microbes.

- 1. Dental dam template
- 2. Dental dam
- 3. Dental dam frame
- **4.** Dental dam clamps
- **5.** Floss
- **6.** Applicator for lubricant
- 7. Dental dam punch
- **8.** Dental dam clamp forceps
- 9. Iris scissors
- 10. Beavertail burnisher









# Dental Handpieces



#### HIGH SPEED HANDPIECE, CONTRA ANGLE

**FUNCTION:** To hold and rotate cutting instruments (bur, diamond) for removal of decay and

tooth structure to form cavity preparations and crown preparations

Accepts burs and other rotary instruments with friction grip (FG) shank

**FEATURES:** Powered by compressed air supplied through dental unit hoses.

Burs and diamonds are held in place and removed by opening and closing the chuck in the head of the handpiece. This is accomplished by using a bur wrench,

a built-in power lever, or a built-in push button chuck.

Fiber optic variation has a light incorporated into the handpiece to illuminate the working area when the handpiece is activated.

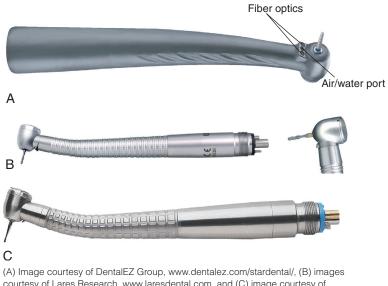
TRAY SET-UP: Cavity preparation, crown preparation, and all procedures requiring tooth

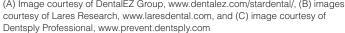
structure or bone removal

CLINICAL APPLICATION: Dental unit hoses also supply water to handpiece. Water exits the handpiece through

an opening just below bur chuck. This protects tooth from damage by heat generated during the cutting process. A switch on the dental unit controls the amount of water

output. Speed of handpiece is controlled with a rheostat (foot pedal).









# SLOW SPEED HANDPIECE, STRAIGHT

**FUNCTION:** Used outside the mouth and in the lab to hold rotary instrument for adjusting and smoothing prostheses

With contra-angle attachment, used intraorally to remove decay and tooth tissue to refine cavity preparations, to make adjustments to prostheses, and to adjust and polish restorations

With right-angle attachment, used intraorally to polish teeth and restorations

**FEATURES:** Accepts rotary instruments with a straight shank as well as contra-angle and right angle handpiece attachments

right-angle handpiece attachments

**TRAY SET-UP:** Prophylaxis, crown seat, denture insert, denture adjustment, and cavity preparation refinement



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## **SLOW SPEED HANDPIECE, PROPHY**

**FUNCTION:** To polish teeth (remove soft debris) and polish restorations (smooth and shine)

with prophy cups and brushes

**FEATURES:** Slow speed handpiece

Lighter weight than conventional straight handpiece

Designs: One piece motor and right angle extension—accepts screw-on prophy

cups and brushes

**DESIGN:** Short straight handpiece—accepts right-angle attachment

TRAY SET-UP: Prophylaxis





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#### HANDPIECE ATTACHMENT—CONTRA-ANGLE

**FUNCTION:** Used with straight handpiece to provide better intraoral accessibility

**FEATURES:** Accepts rotary instruments with latch type shank

Attaches to straight slow-speed handpiece

**TRAY SET-UP:** Crown seat, denture insert and adjustment, cavity preparation refinement



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## HANDPIECE ATTACHMENT—RIGHT ANGLE (PROPHY ANGLE)

**FUNCTION:** Holds prophy cup or brush to polish teeth and restorations

**FEATURES:** Attaches to straight slow-speed handpiece

Accepts screw-type rubber cups and brushes

Sterilizable stainless steel or disposable plastic

**TRAY SET-UP:** Prophylaxis



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#### **ELECTRIC HANDPIECE**

**FUNCTION:** Alternative to compressed air-driven handpieces for cavity preparations and crown

preparations; for adjusting dentures, temporary restorations, orthodontic

appliances, and splints; and for endodontic procedures

**FEATURES:** Electric motor with high-speed contra-angle handpiece, straight handpiece,

low-speed handpiece, and endodontic handpiece

Increased torque for faster cutting at low speeds

Less noise and vibration than air-driven handpieces



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#### **AIR ABRASION SYSTEM**

**FUNCTION:** To remove small areas of decayed tooth structure for composite restorations; to

prepare tooth surface for sealants; and to etch all metals, composites, and amalgam

for bonding

**FEATURES:** Particles of silica and aluminum oxide are propelled through a handpiece by

compressed air to abrade the tooth structure

Less noise and vibration then with conventional high-speed handpiece but can only

be used for minimal amount of decay

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Use dental dam to protect surrounding teeth and soft tissue. Use high-volume

evacuation throughout procedure to reduce airborne particles







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#### **AUTOMATED HANDPIECE MAINTENANCE DEVICES**

**FUNCTION:** To automatically clean handpiece air/water lines, lubricate air turbines and gears,

and expel excess fluid and debris in preparing handpieces for sterilization. Proper cleaning and lubrication reduces performance problems and extends the life of the

handpiece.

**MODELS AVAILABLE:** A-dec Assistina, KaVo QUATTROcare



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#### HIGH-SPEED HANDPIECE CLEANING AND STERILIZATION—MANUAL OPERATION

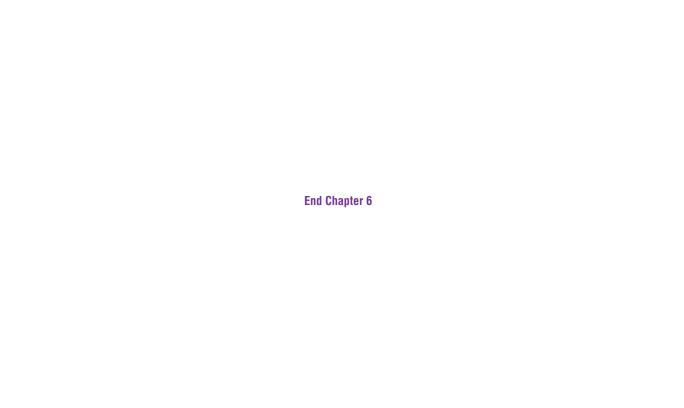
While wearing appropriate personal protective equipment after each patient:

Run handpiece, with bur in place, into suction for 20–30 seconds to flush bioburden from interior of handpiece and waterlines.

- Disconnect handpiece from tubing
- In sterilization area, scrub external surface of handpiece with soap and water; dry
- Place paper towel over head of instrument and spray pressurized cleaner/lubricant into the central tube in the back end of the handpiece until ejected solution comes out clean
- Reattach handpiece to air/water system and flush out excess cleaner/lubricant
- Wipe off any excess from handpiece and place in sterilization bag
- Sterilize with steam heat sterilizer
- After sterilization cycle, when cool, open bag just enough to lubricate if recommended by manufacturer

*Note:* Recommended cleaning and sterilization procedures vary by manufacturer and by model of handpiece. Always read and follow carefully the manufacturer's specific instructions for cleaning, lubrication, and sterilization of handpieces.







# Dental Burs and Rotary Instruments



#### **ROTARY INSTRUMENTS—DENTAL BURS**

**FUNCTION:** Excavation of caries and removal of enamel and dentin to design cavity for a restoration; to smooth and trim restorations; to adjust prosthetic and orthodontic appliances; and to remove and section teeth

**FEATURES:** Cutting instruments designed to fit into the chuck of a dental handpiece

Burs come in a variety of shapes and sizes and are classified according to use:

- Cavity preparation burs
- Finishing burs
- Laboratory burs
- Surgical burs

#### PARTS OF A BUR:

- **1.** Head—the working end (the various head shapes are introduced on the following pages in this section)
- **2.** Neck—the tapered portion that connects the head to the shank
- **3.** Shank—the portion designed to fit into the handpiece







#### **ROTARY INSTRUMENTS—SHANK TYPES**

**FUNCTION:** To insert and hold bur in dental handpiece

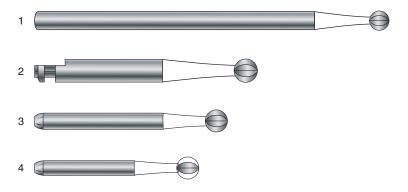
Different shank designs are required for different handpieces

**SHANK TYPES:** 1. Straight or handpiece shank (HP)—used in straight, low speed handpiece

2. Latch type shank (RA/CA/LA)—used in contra-angle handpiece attachment

3. Friction grip shank (FG)—used in high speed, contra-angle handpiece

4. Short friction grip shank (SS)—used in high speed, contra-angle handpiece







#### **CAVITY PREPARATION BURS—ROUND**

**FUNCTION:** Excavation of caries; removal of enamel and dentin to design cavity for a

restoration; gain access to root canal

**FEATURES:** Tungsten carbide, 6–8 cutting blades

Sizes:  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10

FG, RA, HP, FG-SS shanks

**TRAY SET-UP:** Cavity preparation



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#### CAVITY PREPARATION BURS—STRAIGHT FISSURE PLAIN

**FUNCTION:** Excavation of caries; removal of enamel and dentin to design cavity for a

restoration

**FEATURES:** Tungsten carbide, 6–8 cutting blades

Sizes: 56, 57, 58, 59, 60

FG, RA, HP, FG-SS shanks

**TRAY SET-UP:** Cavity preparation



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#### CAVITY PREPARATION BURS—STRAIGHT FISSURE CROSSCUT

**FUNCTION:** Excavation of caries; removal of enamel and dentin to design cavity for a

restoration

**FEATURES:** Tungsten carbide, 6–8 cutting blades

Sizes: 556, 557, 558, 559, 560

FG, RA, HP, FG-SS shanks

**TRAY SET-UP:** Cavity preparation



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## CAVITY PREPARATION BURS—TAPERED FISSURE PLAIN

**FUNCTION:** Excavation of caries; removal of enamel and dentin to design cavity for a

restoration

**FEATURES:** Tungsten carbide, 6–8 cutting blades

Sizes: 169, 170, 171, 172 FG, RA, HP, FG–SS shanks







## CAVITY PREPARATION BURS—TAPERED FISSURE CROSSCUT

**FUNCTION:** Excavation of caries; removal of enamel and dentin to design cavity for a

restoration

**FEATURES:** Tungsten carbide, 6–8 cutting blades

Sizes: 699, 700, 701, 702, 703

FG, RA, HP, FG-SS shanks







## **CAVITY PREPARATION BURS—ROUND END FISSURE**

**FUNCTION:** Excavation of caries; removal of enamel and dentin to design cavity for a

restoration

**FEATURES:** Tungsten carbide, 6–8 cutting blades

Sizes: tapered plain 1169–1172; tapered crosscut 1700–1702; straight plain

1156–1158, straight crosscut 1556–1558

FG, RA, HP, FG-SS shanks



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## **CAVITY PREPARATION BURS—INVERTED CONE**

**FUNCTION:** Excavation of caries; removal of enamel and dentin to design cavity for a

restoration

**FEATURES:** Tungsten carbide, 6–8 cutting blades

Sizes: 33½, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39

FG, RA, HP, FG-SS shanks



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## **CAVITY PREPARATION BURS—PEAR**

**FUNCTION:** Excavation of caries; removal of enamel and dentin to design cavity for a

restoration

**FEATURES:** Tungsten carbide, 6–8 cutting blades

Sizes: 329, 330, 331, 332 FG, RA, HP, FG–SS shanks







## **CAVITY PREPARATION BURS—WHEEL**

**FUNCTION:** Excavation of caries; removal of enamel and dentin to design cavity for a

restoration

**FEATURES:** Tungsten carbide, 6–8 cutting blades

Sizes: 14

FG, RA, HP, FG-SS shanks







## **CAVITY PREPARATION BURS—END CUTTING**

**FUNCTION:** Excavation of caries; removal of enamel and dentin to design cavity for a

restoration

**FEATURES:** Tungsten carbide, 6–8 cutting blades

Sizes: 956, 957

FG, RA, HP, FG-SS shanks







## **FINISHING BURS**

**FUNCTION:** Contouring, smoothing, and polishing of restorative

material

**FEATURES:** Tungsten carbide, 12 cutting blades

Various shapes and sizes (cone, oval, flame, egg, taper, pear), with more blades (fissures) for smoothing

Mostly FG shank, some are available in RA shank



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# LABORATORY BURS

**FUNCTION:** To adjust, trim, and smooth prosthetic and orthodontic appliances

**FEATURES:** Various shapes and sizes (round, flame, barrel, pear) with straight shanks and large

working ends

**TRAY SET-UP:** Denture and appliance adjustment







# SURGICAL BURS

**FUNCTION:** To remove bone and section teeth

**FEATURES:** Various shapes and sizes with extra long, straight shanks

TRAY SET-UP: Impaction, tooth extraction

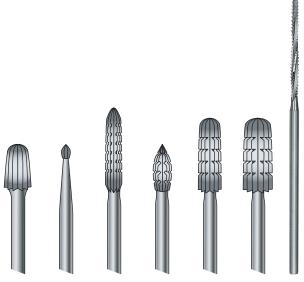


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## **DIAMONDS**

**FUNCTION:** For rapid, bulk reduction of tooth structure, polishing and finishing restorations (fine), bone and gingival contouring in periodontal surgical procedures (coarse)

**FEATURES:** Various shapes and sizes (cone, oval, flame, egg, taper,

pear, wheel, discs, strip)

**TRAY SET-UP:** Crown and bridge preparation, cavity preparation,

gingivoplasty, alveoplasty



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## MANDREL—SCREW ON

**FUNCTION:** To mount discs, wheels, stones for use in a handpiece

Used in the laboratory and at chairside

**FEATURES:** Mount for discs and wheels with pinhole centers

Mostly HP and RA shanks, some available in FG shank



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# MANDREL—SNAP ON

**FUNCTION:** To mount discs for use in a handpiece

**FEATURES:** Mount for discs with brass centers

Mostly HP and RA shanks, some available in FG shank

TRAY SET-UP: Composite restoration







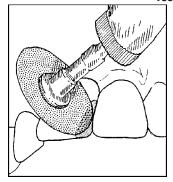
## SANDPAPER ABRASIVES

**FUNCTION:** To shape and smooth restorations

**FEATURES:** Discs (snap on and screw on) and strips

Various sizes, grits, and abrasive materials (aluminum oxide, garnet, sand, cuttle)

**TRAY SET-UP:** Composite restoration



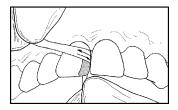
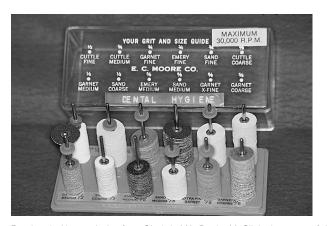
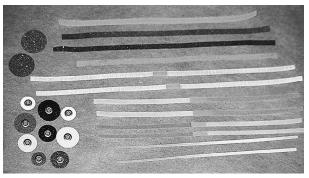


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## **COMPOSITE FINISHING SYSTEM**

**FUNCTION:** To shape, smooth, and polish

composite restorations

**FEATURES:** Flexible discs designed

specifically for composite

Disc covers top of mandrel to prevent damage to

restoration

Color-coding designates grit

Multiple manufacturers

**TRAY SET-UP:** Composite restoration



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### **STONES**

**FUNCTION:** Made of silicon carbide or aluminum oxide to smooth, trim, and polish amalgam,

gold, composite, acrylic, porcelain

Used in the laboratory and at chairside

**FEATURES:** Various shapes, sizes, grits

Green, red, pink, blue, yellow, white, gray, brown points/stones

Mounted on shanks or unmounted to attach to mandrel



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## RUBBER ABRASIVES—WHEEL AND DISK

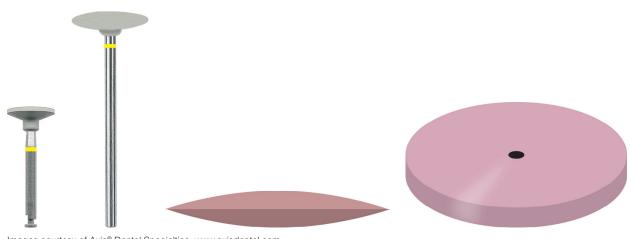
**FUNCTION:** To finish and polish ceramics, composites, alloy, and gold intraorally and in the lab

**FEATURES:** Various sizes and grits

Mounted and unmounted

Green, red, pink, blue, yellow, white, gray, brown

**TRAY SET-UP:** Restorative, crown and bridge



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## **RUBBER ABRASIVES—POINT AND CUP**

**FUNCTION:** To finish and polish ceramics, compos-

ites, alloy, and gold intraorally and in

the lab

**FEATURES:** Various sizes, shapes and grits

Mounted to HP, RA, and FG shanks

Green, red, pink, blue, yellow, white,

gray, brown

**TRAY SET-UP:** Restorative, crown and bridge



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#### PROPHY CUP AND BRUSH

**FUNCTION:** To remove plaque and stain from coronal surfaces

**FEATURES:** Latch or screw shank

Brush-flat or pointed; black or white, soft or firm

Cup—ribbed or webbed, soft or firm, rubber or latex-free

TRAY SET-UP: Prophylaxis







#### BUR HOLDER/BLOCK/CADDY

**FUNCTION:** Holds burs on tray set-up for easy viewing and retrieval

**FEATURES:** Different designs for varying number of burs and for different shank types

Some have movable bar that hold burs in place during ultrasonic cleaning and

sterilization

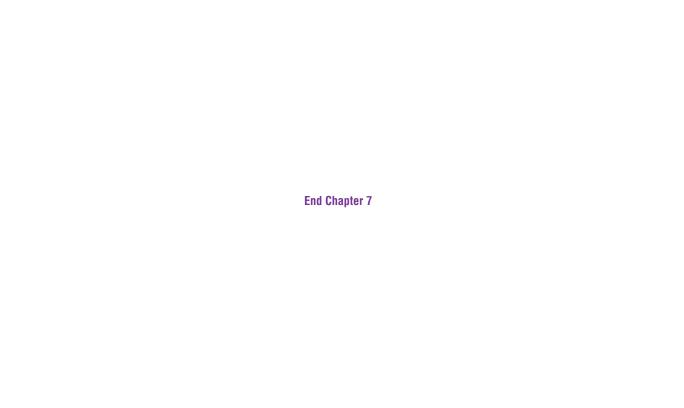
May be magnetic to hold burs in place





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## Impression Instruments and Equipment



#### **ALGINATE SPATULA**

**FUNCTION:** To mix alginate in a flexible bowl

**TRAY SET-UP:** Crown and bridge preparation; prelimi-

nary appointment for partial and complete dentures; orthodontic—initial records and final band removal; and initial appointment for fabrication of study models, bleaching trays, night guards, or

other appliances

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## **ALGINATOR**

**FUNCTION:** Automated mixer for mixing alginate and plaster

**FEATURES:** Attached bowl spins on base as alginate spatula is firmly held against the side of

the bowl



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#### **IMPRESSION TRAYS**

**FUNCTION:** To hold and carry impression materials to the mouth for obtaining a replica of the

teeth and oral structures

**FEATURES:** Various sizes to fit all patients

Regular, edentulous, and pediatric

Metal and plastic; solid and perforated

Designs: full-arch, quadrant and anterior; maxillary, mandibular, and dual arch

CLINICAL APPLICATION:

Double arch impression trays (Triple Tray®, Check-Bite™, 3-Way™, and others) are used for crown and bridge impressions and perform multiple functions with one tray. The design allows for a maxillary, mandibular, and bite registration all in one impression.











(A) Regular solid and perforated impression trays and (B) edentulous perforated impression trays courtesy of GC America, www.gcamerica.com; (C) assorted Triple Trays courtesy of Premier Dental Products, www.premusa.com





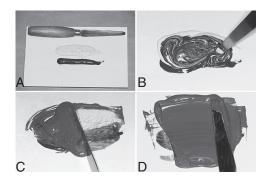
#### **IMPRESSION PASTE SPATULA**

**FUNCTION:** To mix elastomeric impression materials (vinyl polysiloxane, polyethers, rubber

base/polysulfide, silicone, zinc oxide eugenol) and bite registration materials on

paper pad

**TRAY SET-UP:** Crown and bridge preparation; partial and complete denture final impressions



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#### IMPRESSION MATERIAL SYRINGE

**FUNCTION:** To carry elastomeric impression materials to the mouth and to eject the material

around the prepared tooth/teeth

**TRAY SET-UP:** Crown and bridge preparation

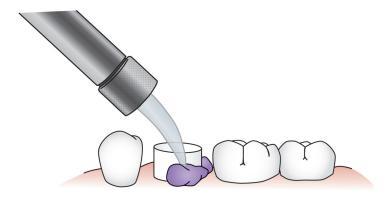




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#### CARTRIDGE DISPENSER

**FUNCTION:** To mix and dispense impression materials and bite registration materials that are

supplied in cartridges

**FEATURES:** Dispensing "gun" style

Used with specially designed mixing tips

Dispenses on/in impression tray or impression syringe, or directly onto

prepared tooth



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#### **AUTOMIXER**

**FUNCTION:** To mix and dispense vinyl polysiloxane and polyether impression materials that are

supplied in large foil pouches or polybags

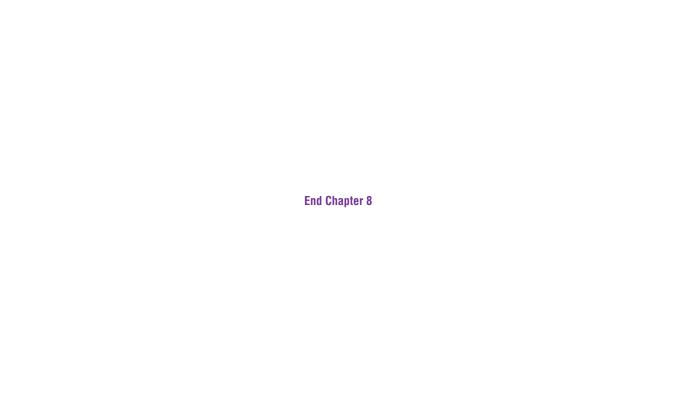
**FEATURES:** Countertop equipment

Dispenses on/in mixing pad, impression tray, or impression syringe



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# Laboratory Instruments and Equipment



#### PLASTER SPATULA

**FUNCTION:** To mix gypsum products (plaster, stone, investment) with water in a bowl

**FEATURES:** Stainless steel blade with wooden handle

Narrower blade than alginate spatula







## VIBRATOR

**FUNCTION:** To remove air in gypsum mixes and reduce voids in dental casts

**FEATURES:** Vibrating rubber coated platform

Three speeds







## LAB KNIFE

**FUNCTION:** To trim plaster and stone on dental casts; compound and wax

**FEATURES:** Steel blades with wooden handle







#### **MODEL TRIMMER**

**FUNCTION:** To grind and shape all types

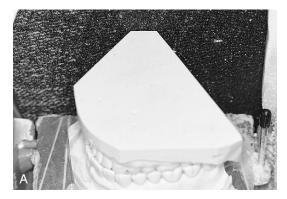
of dental models

**FEATURES:** Rotating carborundum

wheel

Adjustable water supply to reduce dust, facilitate cutting, and clean wheel

Adjustable work table



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#### **VACUUM FORMING UNIT**

**FUNCTION:** To heat and soften thermo-

plastic sheets for vacuum forming on dental cast. Used for fabrication of bleaching trays, mouth guards, night guards, splints, custom trays,

and base plates.

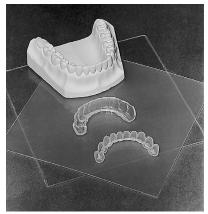
**FEATURES:** Small electric equipment

with heat source and vacuum



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## **SCALLOPING SCISSORS**

**FUNCTION:** To cut and scallop gingival

edge of bleaching trays

**FEATURES:** Serrated blades

Spring handle



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#### **BOLEY GAUGE**

**FUNCTION:** Metric rule (caliper) to measure length and diameter of teeth, oral structures,

prosthetic appliances, and root canal instruments

**TRAY SET-UP:** Root canal, bite registration and wax try-in for removable dentures, cosmetic

procedures

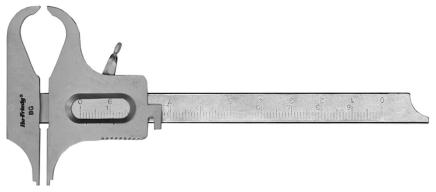


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#### **7A WAX SPATULA**

**FUNCTION:** To manipulate wax during denture and crown fabrication procedures

**FEATURES:** Double ended with one round, blunted end, and one pointed end

Similar in appearance to a small periosteal elevator

**TRAY SET-UP:** Removable denture bite registration and wax try-in

Many laboratory uses



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#### **ROACH WAX CARVER**

**FUNCTION:** To manipulate wax during denture and crown fabrication procedures

**FEATURES:** Double ended with one spear-shaped end and one with a concave area for

melting wax

**TRAY SET-UP:** Removable denture bite registration and wax try-in

Many laboratory uses



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#### ARTICULATOR

**FUNCTION:** Simulates patient's occlusion and jaw movements for fabrication of crowns,

bridges, and dentures

**FEATURES:** Mechanical device holds working casts

Metal or plastic

Various styles and sizes







#### TRIAD® CURING UNIT

**FUNCTION:** Light cures TRIAD VLC material for fabricating custom trays, orthodontic

appliances, provisional crowns and bridges, and denture repairs and relines

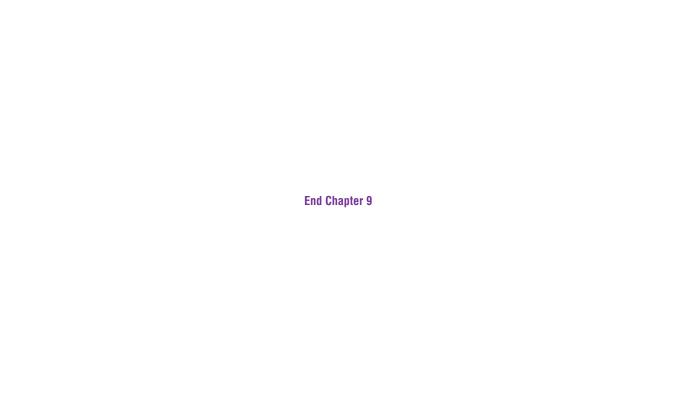
**FEATURES:** Curing chamber with rotating platform

Tungsten halogen light source

Cures light activated materials with visible light







Chapter 10

# Crown and Bridge (Fixed Prosthodontics) Instruments



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## **CROWN AND COLLAR SCISSORS**

**FUNCTION:** To trim the gingival margins of temporary crowns

**FEATURES:** Straight or curved beaks

Also known as crown and bridge scissors

**TRAY SET-UP:** Crown preparation

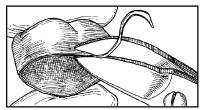


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# **CONTOURING PLIERS**

**FUNCTION:** To shape/crimp gingival edge of

temporary crown for better adap-

tation

**FEATURES:** Common designs are the "bird

beak" and "ball and socket"

**TRAY SET-UP:** Crown preparation

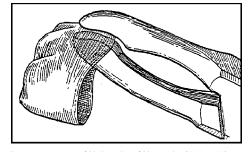
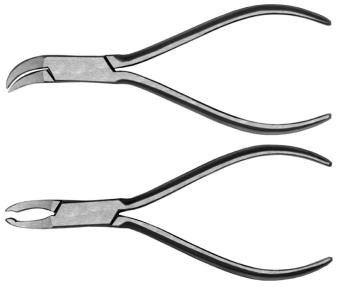


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#### CORD PACKERS

**FUNCTION:** To place retraction cord in gingival sulcus to control bleeding and to achieve gingi-

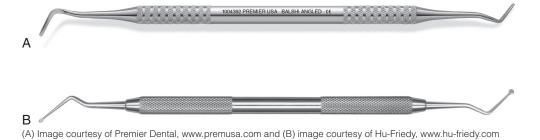
val retraction during crown preparation and final impression

**TRAY SET-UP:** Crown and bridge preparation

**VARIETIES:** Serrated and nonserrated edges of blade



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## CEMENT SPATULA

**FUNCTION:** To mix dental cements for restorations, bases, or luting

**FEATURES:** Made of rigid or flexible metal, agate, and plastic

**TRAY SET-UP:** Restorative, crown and bridge preparation, crown and bridge seating

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#### **CROWN REMOVERS**

**FUNCTION:** To remove temporary or permanent crowns

**FEATURES:** Morrel crown remover tip fits along cervical edge of crown. Barrel on the instrument

shaft is moved up and down creating a pulling motion on the crown.

Other crown removers similar in appearance to a hemostat

**TRAY SET-UP:** Crown and bridge seating and cementing



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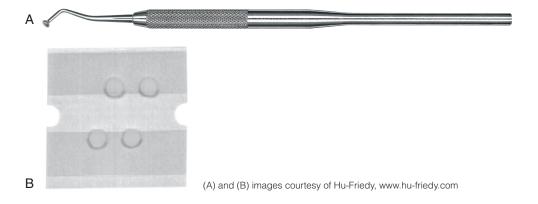




# ACCU-PLACER

FUNCTION: Used with Accu-Dot® tape to hold and place veneers and inlays for bonding

**TRAY SET-UP:** Inlay and veneer bonding







#### CAD/CAM SYSTEMS

**FUNCTION:** To design and fabricate dental restorations (crowns, inlays, onlays, veneers) with

ceramic and resin based materials in one appointment.

**FEATURES:** All CAD/CAM systems have three functional components: intraoral digital scanning

device to record data about the tooth preparation, adjacent teeth and occluding teeth

CAD component to design a virtual model of the restoration

CAM component to fabricate, "mill" the restoration from a ceramic or composite

resin block1

Current in-office systems are the CEREC (Sirona) and E4D (D4D Technologies)

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** With these systems, a dentist can prepare, design, fabricate, and seat an indirect restora-

tion in one appointment. This eliminates taking impressions and fabricating temporary crowns. However, the CAD/CAM system has a very high initial investment cost.

#### REFERENCE

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(A) CEREC camera, (B) CEREC acquisition unit, and (C) CEREC milling unit images courtesy of Sirona Dental Systems, www.sirona.com





#### **CROWN AND BRIDGE PREPARATION SET-UP**

#### PURPOSE:

To provide instrumentation for preparing the tooth to support and retain an artificial crown, for making an impression of the tooth preparation, and for fabricating temporary coverage for the prepared tooth.

- **1.** Basic set-up
- **2.** Local anesthesia set-up
- 3. Floss
- 4. Diamonds and burs
- **5.** Handpieces (high and low speed)
- **6.** Spoon excavator
- **7.** Cord packing instrument
- 8. Plastic instrument
- 9. Scaler
- **10.** Crown and collar scissors

- **11.** Articulating paper forceps
- **12.** Temporary crowns
- **13.** Contouring pliers
- **14.** Mixing pad
- **15.** Impression material
- **16.** Impression tray
- **17.** Impression paste spatula
- **18.** Impression paste syringe
- **19.** Temporary cement







#### **CROWN AND BRIDGE CEMENTATION SET-UP**

#### PURPOSE:

To provide instrumentation for removing the temporary coverage, adjusting fit and occlusion of permanent crown or bridge, and permanently cementing or bonding the restoration to the prepared tooth/teeth.

- **1.** Basic set-up
- **2.** Local anesthesia set-up
- 3. Crown remover
- **4.** Towel clamp
- **5.** Floss
- 6. Diamonds and burs
- **7.** Handpieces (high and low speed)
- **8.** Spoon excavator

- 9. Plastic instrument
- 10. Scaler
- 11. Bite stick
- **12.** Articulating paper forceps
- **13.** Cement spatula
- **14.** Permanent cement
- **15.** Mixing pad





**End Chapter 10** 



# Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Instruments



#### PERIOSTEAL ELEVATOR—MOLT

**FUNCTION:** To detach the periosteum from bone following an incision or to detach the gingival

tissues from around the neck of the tooth prior to placement of extraction forceps

**FEATURES:** Double ended with one round, blunted end and one pointed end

TRAY SET-UP: Used for most surgical procedures: extractions, gingivoplasty, alveoplasty, cyst

removal

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** 7A wax spatula or a Woodson #1 plastic instrument is sometimes used if a smaller

periosteal elevator is desired



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#### STRAIGHT ELEVATORS

**FUNCTION:** To loosen tooth or root from bony socket prior to placement of the extraction

forceps

FEATURES: Straight handle and working end

Single rounded working end in several sizes

Often referred to by number—common sizes: 1, 34, 301

TRAY SET-UP: Tooth and root extraction



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#### ANGULAR ELEVATORS—CRYER

**FUNCTION:** To loosen tooth or root from bony socket prior to placement of the extraction

forceps

**FEATURES:** Handles may be either large and straight or T-bar/crossbar design

Pointed working end in several sizes

Paired, right and left

Also called a "flag" elevator

Other common designs: Potts and Crane

**TRAY SET-UP:** Tooth and root extraction, impaction



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# ANGULAR ELEVATORS—POTTS

**FUNCTION:** To loosen tooth or root from bony socket prior to placement of the extraction

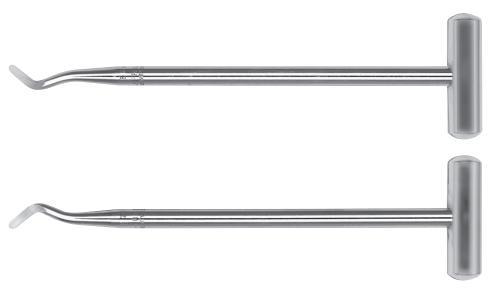
forceps

**FEATURES:** Handles may be either large and straight or T-bar/crossbar design

Rounded working end in several sizes

Paired, right and left

Other common designs: Cryer and Crane



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## ANGULAR ELEVATORS—CRANE

**FUNCTION:** To loosen tooth or root from bony socket prior to placement of the extraction

forceps

**FEATURES:** Large straight handle

Nonpaired, universal

Other common designs: Cryer and Potts



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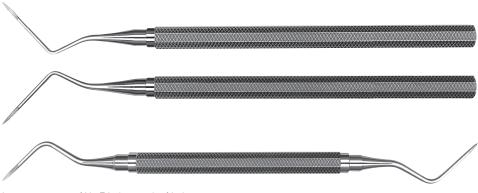


## **ROOT TIP PICKS—ANGLED**

**FUNCTION:** To loosen small root fragments from bony socket

FEATURES: Small elevator with thin, pointed, angled working end

Single or double ended



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## **ROOT TIP PICKS—STRAIGHT**

**FUNCTION:** To loosen small root fragments from bony socket

FEATURES: Small elevator with thin, pointed, straight working end

Single or double ended



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## SURGICAL CURETTES—DOUBLE ENDED/ANGULAR

**FUNCTION:** To remove tissue or debris from bony sockets

**FEATURES:** Spoon-shaped scraping instrument

Usually double ended and angular in several sizes

TRAY SET-UP: Extraction, impaction, and cyst removal

CLINICAL APPLICATION: Used following tooth extraction to ensure removal of debris and diseased tissue



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# SURGICAL CURETTES—MOLT

**FUNCTION:** To remove tissue or debris from bony sockets

**FEATURES:** Single rounded working end with larger diameter handle

**TRAY SET-UP:** Extraction, impaction, cyst removal

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Molt #1 (pictured) also used to retract tissue flaps following incision



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#### **HEMOSTATS**

FUNCTION: To securely hold small items, clamp blood vessels, and remove small pieces of tooth

or bone

**FEATURES:** Angled or straight with locking, scissor-like handles

Common names: Mosquito, Kelly

Available in  $4\frac{3}{4}$ ",  $5\frac{1}{2}$ ",  $6\frac{1}{4}$ ", and  $7\frac{1}{2}$ "

**TRAY SET-UP:** Almost all surgical set-ups

**CLINICAL APLICATION:** Ratchet-type handles require some practice to open and close smoothly

Very versatile instrument used in all areas of dentistry



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#### **NEEDLE HOLDERS**

**FUNCTION:** To hold suture needle

**FEATURES:** Similar to hemostat but with a concave area on inside of each beak to allow for

curve of suture needle

**TRAY SET-UP:** Any surgical procedure involving an incision will require placement of sutures

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** To avoid needle breakage, place the needle holder on the needle just beyond the

suture attachment point and at right angles to the curve of the needle



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#### **SUTURE**

**FUNCTION:** To close incision site

"Stitches" hold tissues in place during healing

**FEATURES:** Suture material attached to sterile stainless steel needle

Different sizes and designs of needles

Suture may be absorbable—plain or chromic gut, polyglycolic acid (PGA, Vicryl)

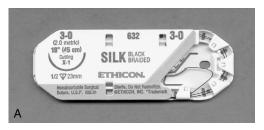
or nonabsorbable—silk, polyester, nylon, polypropylene

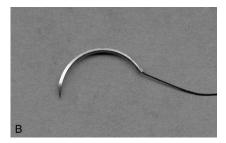
Sized by diameter of suture material: 3–0 (000), 4–0 (0000), 5–0 (00000) most

common sizes used in dentistry (smaller number = larger diameter)

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Nonabsorbable sutures usually removed at 7–10 days postsurgical visit

Placed with needle holder or hemostat











#### **SCALPEL**

**FUNCTION:** To cut soft tissue—a surgical knife

**FEATURES:** Often referred to as "Bard-Parker" or "BP"

Individually sterile wrapped for single use

Common blade sizes: #11 (a), #12 (b), #15 (c)

Metal, sterilizable handle for replaceable blades (d)

Disposable scalpel consisting of a plastic handle with attached blade (e)

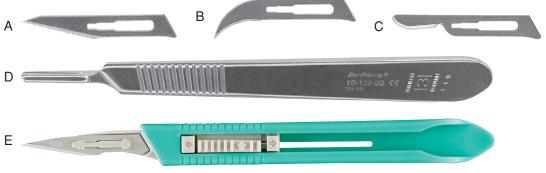
**TRAY SET-UP:** Most surgical set-ups: impaction, extraction, biopsy, frenectomy, gingivoplasty,

alveoplasty, incision and drainage, and apicoectomy

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** For safety, blades are placed and removed from the metal handle with a hemostat

or a specially designed scalpel blade remover

Used blades should be disposed of in a sharps container



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# SCALPEL BLADE REMOVER

**FUNCTION:** To safely remove blade from scalpel handle



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### RONGEURS—SIDE-CUTTING

**FUNCTION:** To cut and contour bone—removes sharp edges of alveolar crest after extractions

for better contour of alveolar ridge; removes exostoses

**FEATURES:** Scissor-type handle, cutting edges on side and top of beaks

**TRAY SET-UP:** Multiple extractions, alveolectomy/alveoplasty

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** During use, bone will accumulate around cutting edges. Assistant should wipe

working ends with  $4 \times 4$  periodically to remove debris.



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## **RONGEURS—END-CUTTING**

**FUNCTION:** To cut and contour bone—removes sharp edges of alveolar crest after extractions

for better contour of alveolar ridge; removes exostoses

**FEATURES:** Scissor-type handle, cutting edges on top edge of beaks

**TRAY SET-UP:** Multiple extractions, alveolectomy/alveoplasty

CLINICAL APPLICATION: During use, bone will accumulate around cutting edges. Assistant should wipe

working ends with  $4 \times 4$  periodically to remove debris.



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# BONE CHISEL AND MALLET

**FUNCTION:** To remove bone for better contour of alveolar ridge; remove exostoses, i.e., tori

**TRAY SET-UP:** Tori removal, alveoplasty









#### **BONE FILE**

**FUNCTION:** To smooth bone for better contour of alveolar ridge, often following use of

rongeurs

**FEATURES:** Straight or curved working ends

Crosscut or straight cutting ridges

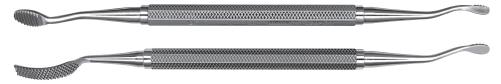
Double ended

**TRAY SET-UP:** Multiple extractions and impactions that require bone removal, tori removal,

alveoplasty

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** During use, bone will accumulate around cutting edges. Assistant should wipe

working ends with  $4 \times 4$  periodically to remove debris.



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## TISSUE SCISSORS—DEAN

**FUNCTION:** To cut and remove excess or diseased soft tissue

Also used to cut sutures after knots are tied during suture placement

**FEATURES:**  $6^{1/2}$ "

Other common varieties of tissue scissors: Kelly, Iris

**TRAY SET-UP:** Gingivectomy/Gingivoplasty, frenectomy, multiple extractions



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## TISSUE SCISSORS—IRIS

**FUNCTION:** To cut and remove excess or diseased soft tissue

Also used to cut sutures after knots are tied during suture placement

**FEATURES:** Straight or curved, 4" and 4½"

Other common varieties of tissue scissors: Dean, Kelly

**TRAY SET-UP:** Gingivectomy/gingivoplasty, frenectomy, multiple extractions



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## TISSUE SCISSORS—KELLY

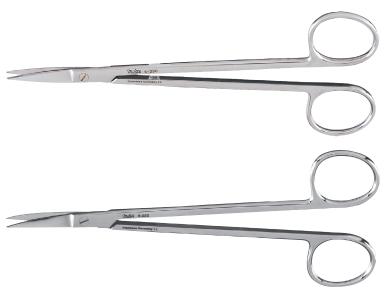
**FUNCTION:** To cut and remove excess or diseased soft tissue

Also used to cut sutures after knots are tied during suture placement

**FEATURES:** Straight or curved,  $6^{1/4}$  and 7"

Other common varieties of tissue scissors: Dean, Iris

**TRAY SET-UP:** Gingivectomy/gingivoplasty, frenectomy, multiple extractions



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#### **SUTURE SCISSORS**

**FUNCTION:** To cut sutures for removal

**FEATURES:** One curved, hook-like tip to slip under suture

Holds suture away from tissue while cutting

 $3\frac{1}{2}$ ",  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ",  $5\frac{1}{2}$ ", and 6"

TRAY SET-UP: Suture removal

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Suture removal often performed by the dental assistant. Wipe area clean with

moistened  $2 \times 2$ , place curved scissor beak under suture near the knot, then grasp

the knot with cotton plier or hemostat, and pull the suture out.



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### **TOWEL CLAMPS**

**FUNCTION:** To secure surgical drapes and to secure plastic and rubber tubing to drapes

**FEATURES:** Sharp prong tips

 $3\frac{1}{2}$ " and  $5\frac{1}{4}$ "

Additional use: Remove metal temporary crowns

TRAY SET-UP: Any procedure when face and head are draped to isolate surgical area



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## TISSUE RETRACTOR—AUSTIN

**FUNCTION:** To deflect and retract the periosteum from bone following an incision

**FEATURES:** L-shaped with one rounded end and one forked end

Other common designs: Seldin, Senn



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### TISSUE RETRACTOR—SENN

**FUNCTION:** To deflect and retract the periosteum from bone following an incision

**FEATURES:** Double ended with one rounded and one forked end

Other common designs: Austin, Seldin



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### TISSUE RETRACTOR/PERIOSTEAL ELEVATOR—SELDIN

**FUNCTION:** To deflect and retract a tissue flap from bone following an incision

**FEATURES:** Double ended with round, blunted ends

**TRAY SET-UP:** Used for most surgical procedures: extractions, gingivoplasty, alveoplasty,

cyst removal

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### TONGUE AND CHEEK RETRACTOR—MINNESOTA

**FUNCTION:** To hold tongue and cheek away from surgical site

Other common designs: Shuman, Weider







### TONGUE AND CHEEK RETRACTOR—SHUMAN

**FUNCTION:** To hold tongue and cheek away from surgical site

Other common designs: Minnesota, Weider



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### TONGUE AND CHEEK RETRACTOR—WEIDER

**FUNCTION:** To hold tongue and cheek away from surgical site

Other common designs: Minnesota, Shuman



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### MOUTH PROP—BITE-BLOCK

**FUNCTION:** To keep mouth open with extensive procedures, sedated or disabled patients

**FEATURES:** Sterilizable rubber block in four sizes for children and adults

Other common design: mouth gag

TRAY SET-UP: Any procedure when patient may have difficulty keeping mouth open



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### **MOUTH PROP—MOUTH GAG**

**FUNCTION:** To keep mouth open with extensive procedures, sedated or disabled patients

**FEATURES:** Rachet design with rubber tips

Other common design: bite-block

TRAY SET-UP: Any procedure when patient may have difficulty keeping mouth open

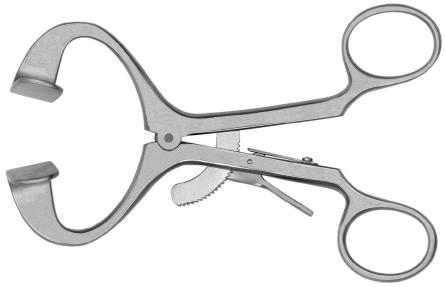


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### SURGICAL ASPIRATING TIP—BYRD SELF-CLEANING

**FUNCTION:** To maintain a clear working field by removing saliva, blood, and debris

**FEATURES:** Built-in stylet to clear tip of bone or tooth fragments

Available in several diameters

Other common designs: Frazier, Cogswell



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### SURGICAL ASPIRATING TIP—COGSWELL

**FUNCTION:** To maintain a clear working field by removing saliva, blood, and debris

**FEATURES:** Vacuum relief hole controls suction by covering/uncovering the hole with fingertip

Other common designs: Byrd, Frazier

TRAY SET-UP: All surgical procedures

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Tips are cleaned with long, flexible cleaning brushes





### SURGICAL ASPIRATING TIP—FRAZIER

**FUNCTION:** To maintain a clear working field by removing saliva, blood, and debris

**FEATURES:** Removable stylet to clear tip of bone or tooth fragments

Vacuum relief hole controls suction by covering/uncovering the hole with fingertip

Available in several diameters

Other common designs: Byrd, Cogswell







### SURGICAL ASPIRATING TIP—YANKEUR TONSIL ASPIRATOR

**FUNCTION:** To suction throat when using general anesthesia

**FEATURES:** Angled with perforated ball-type end for suctioning throat







### TISSUE PLIERS—ADSON

**FUNCTION:** To grasp and stabilize soft tissue flaps during suturing and reconstructive

procedures such as gingival grafting

**FEATURES:** Similar in overall appearance to cotton pliers

Various serrated tips for securely grasping tissue flaps

TRAY SET-UP: Any surgical procedure requiring an incision and suturing



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### TISSUE FORCEPS—ALLISON

**FUNCTION:** To grasp and stabilize soft tissue flaps during suturing and reconstructive

procedures such as gingival grafting

**FEATURES:** Hemostat-type handles, serrated tips

**TRAY SET-UP:** Any surgical procedure requiring an incision and suturing



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#### **EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#99 MAXILLARY ANTERIORS AND PREMOLARS**

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Straight handle and beaks

Beaks designed to conform to facial and lingual root contour just apical

to cervical line

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual)

for right and left quadrants

TRAY SET-UP: Extraction



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# EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#150 (CRYER) MAXILLARY ANTERIORS AND PREMOLARS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Beaks designed to conform to facial and lingual root contour just apical to

cervical line

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual) for right

and left quadrants

Maxillary counterpart to #151 Mandibular Cryer

TRAY SET-UP: Extraction



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## EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#18R MAXILLARY RIGHT FIRST AND SECOND MOLARS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Each beak has different design to adapt to the maxillary molar roots that differ

anatomically on the facial and lingual

Rounded beak contours to lingual root

Pointed beak contours to bifurcation of mesial-buccal and distal-buccal root #18R and #53R are essentially the same instrument except that #18R has one curved

handle while both handles are straight on #53R



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### EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#18 L MAXILLARY LEFT FIRST AND SECOND MOLARS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

FEATURES: Each beak has different design to adapt to the maxillary molar roots that differ

anatomically on the facial and lingual

Rounded beak contours to lingual root

Pointed beak contours to bifurcation of mesial-buccal and distal-buccal root #18L and #53L are essentially the same instrument except that #18L has one curved

handle while both handles are straight on #53L



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# EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#53R MAXILLARY RIGHT FIRST AND SECOND MOLARS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Bayonet design

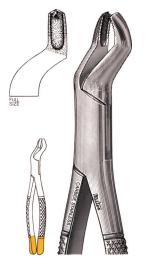
Each beak has different design to adapt to the maxillary molar roots that differ anatomically on the facial and lingual

Rounded beak contours to lingual root

Pointed beak contours to bifurcation of mesial-buccal and distal-buccal roots #53R and #18R are essentially the same instrument except that #18R has one

curved handle while both handles are straight on #53R





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### EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#53L MAXILLARY LEFT FIRST AND SECOND MOLARS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Bayonet design

Each beak has different design to adapt to the maxillary molar roots that differ

anatomically on the facial and lingual

Rounded beak contours to lingual root

Pointed beak contours to bifurcation of mesial-buccal and distal-buccal roots

#53L and #18L are essentially the same instrument except that #18L has one

curved handle while both handles are straight on #53L





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## EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#88R MAXILLARY RIGHT FIRST AND SECOND MOLARS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Bayonet design

Each beak has different design to adapt to the maxillary molar roots that differ

anatomically on the facial and lingual

Beak with 1 projection contours to bifurcation of mesial-buccal and distal-buccal

roots

Beak with two projections contours to lingual root



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### EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#88L MAXILLARY LEFT FIRST AND SECOND MOLARS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Bayonet design

Each beak has different design to adapt to the maxillary molar roots that differ

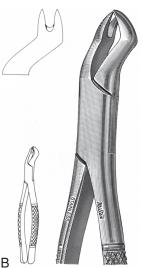
anatomically on the facial and lingual

Beak with one projection contours to bifurcation of mesial-buccal and

distal-buccal roots

Beak with two projections contours to lingual root





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# **EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#210 MAXILLARY THIRD MOLARS**

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Bayonet design

Beaks designed to conform to facial and lingual root contour just apical to

cervical line

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual) for right

and left quadrants



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# EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#65 MAXILLARY OVERLAPPING ANTERIORS AND ROOT TIPS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth, tooth fragments, and root tips from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Bayonet design

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual) for right

and left quadrants





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# EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#69 MAXILLARY AND MANDIBULAR OVERLAPPING ANTERIORS AND ROOT TIPS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth, tooth fragments, and root tips from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual) for right

and left quadrants









# **EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#74 MANDIBULAR ROOT TIPS**

**FUNCTION:** To remove tooth fragments and root tips from bony socket

FEATURES: Bird beak design

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual) for right

and left quadrants





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# EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#101 ALL DECIDUOUS TEETH AND MANDIBULAR ANTERIORS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Smaller overall

Beaks designed to conform to facial and lingual root contour just apical to cervical

line

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual) for right

and left quadrants









### EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#103 MANDIBULAR ANTERIORS AND PREMOLARS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Straight handle and beaks

Beaks designed to conform to facial and lingual root contour just apical to cervical

line

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual) for right

and left quadrants



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# EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#151 (CRYER) MANDIBULAR ANTERIORS AND PREMOLARS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Beaks designed to conform to facial and lingual root contour just apical to

cervical line

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual)

for right and left quadrants

Mandibular counterpart to #150 Maxillary Cryer









#### EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#15 MANDIBULAR FIRST AND SECOND MOLARS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Beaks designed to conform to facial and lingual root contour just apical to

cervical line

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual) for right

and left quadrants

Pointed beaks contour to bifurcation area of mesial and distal root

#15 and #17 are essentially the same instrument except that #15 has one curved

handle while both handles are straight on #17









#### **EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#17 MANDIBULAR FIRST AND SECOND MOLARS**

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Beaks designed to conform to facial and lingual root contour just apical

to cervical line

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual)

for right and left quadrants

Pointed beaks contour to bifurcation area of mesial and distal root

#17 and #15 are essentially the same instrument except that #15 has one curved

handle while both handles are straight on #17



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#### EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#16 MANDIBULAR FIRST AND SECOND MOLARS

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** "Cowhorn" forceps

Beaks designed to conform to facial and lingual root contour just apical to cervical line

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual) for right and left quadrants

Pointed beaks contour to bifurcation area of mesial and distal root

#16 and #23 are essentially the same instrument except that #16 has one curved handle while both handles are straight on #23









# **EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#23 MANDIBULAR FIRST AND SECOND MOLARS**

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** "Cowhorn" forceps

Beaks designed to conform to facial and lingual root contour just apical to cervical line

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual)

for right and left quadrants

Pointed beaks contour to bifurcation area of mesial and distal root

#23 and #16 are essentially the same instrument except that #16 has one curved

handle while both handles are straight on #23



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# **EXTRACTION FORCEPS—#222 MANDIBULAR THIRD MOLARS**

**FUNCTION:** To remove teeth from bony socket

**FEATURES:** Bayonet design

Beaks designed to conform to facial and lingual root contour just apical to cervical

line

Universal (both beaks same design-fit equally well on facial and lingual) for right

and left quadrants



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# SURGICAL HANDPIECE

**FUNCTION:** To place implants, remove bone, section teeth

**FEATURES:** Holds sterile water and equipped with pump for oral irrigation

Both straight and contra angle handpiece designs

Variable speed and torque



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# LASER (LIGHT AMPLIFICATION BY SIMULATED EMISSION OF RADIATION)

**FUNCTION:** To remove soft tissue with minimal discomfort and bleeding

Laser also has bacteriocidal effects for enhanced wound healing

**APPLICATIONS:** Frenectomy, excision of lesions, gingivoplasty, crown lengthening, root

canal therapy

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Laser beam is hazardous to eyes and skin. Patient, operator, and assistant must

wear special protective goggles and keep hands and body parts away from the beam. Nonshiny instruments should be used to avoid reflection of laser energy. Smoke plume forms as tissue is vaporized; use high volume evacuation during

procedure.



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# **ENDOSSEOUS IMPLANT FIXTURE**

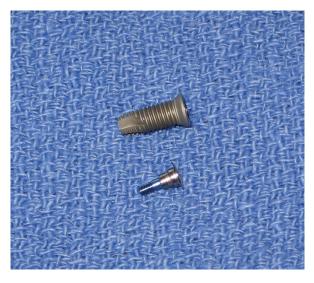
**FUNCTION:** To provide a root form for replacement of missing teeth

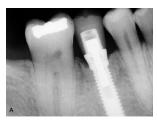
**FEATURES:** Cylindrical, screw-shaped device

Made of titanium alloy

Embedded within the alveolar bone

Provides support for a dental crown, bridge, or denture









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# **SURGICAL IMPLANT SITE PREPARATION KIT**

**FUNCTION:** To remove and shape bone for placement of

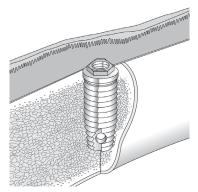
an implant fixture

**FEATURES:** Multiple "drill" shapes and sizes

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** An incision is made and a tissue flap

detached to expose the alveolar bone of the implant site. Next, a surgical handpiece is used with the implant site preparation kit to shape a hole for the implant fixture. The implant fixture is placed and covered with

the soft tissue flap.



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### IMPLANT WRENCH/DRIVER

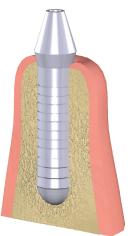
**FUNCTION:** To place implant screw or healing abutment on implant fixture

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** The healing abutment extends above the oral mucosa. After the dental implant is

stable and integrated with the bone, the top of the implant is exposed and the healing abutment is placed. The gingiva heals and grows around the abutment creating

an esthetic gingival margin for the future implant crown.





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# **BASIC EXTRACTION SET-UP**

**PURPOSE:** To provide instrumentation for surgical removal of tooth/teeth.

- 1. Local anesthesia syringe, needles, and cartridges
- **2.** Sterile gauze
- **3.** Surgical aspirating tip
- **4.** Cotton pliers
- **5.** Mouth mirror
- 6. Periosteal elevator
- 7. Straight elevators
- 8. Surgical curette
- 9. Hemostat
- **10.** Extraction forceps (selected for specific tooth/teeth)







### MULTIPLE EXTRACTION/ALVEOPLASTY/GINGIVOPLASTY SET-UP

**PURPOSE:** To provide instrumentation for surgically removing multiple teeth, reshaping bone and gingiva, and placing sutures.

- **1.** Local anesthesia set-up
- 2. Tissue retractor
- **3.** Scalpel(s)
- **4.** Mouth prop
- 5. Sterile gauze
- **6.** Surgical aspirating tip
- **7.** Cotton pliers
- **8.** Mouth mirror
- 9. Periosteal elevator
- **10.** Straight elevators

- 11. Tissue retractor
- **12.** Surgical curette
- **13.** Bone file
- **14.** Extraction forceps (selected for specific tooth/teeth)
- 15. Rongeur
- **16.** Tissue scissor
- 17. Needle holder
- 18. Hemostat
- **19.** Suture







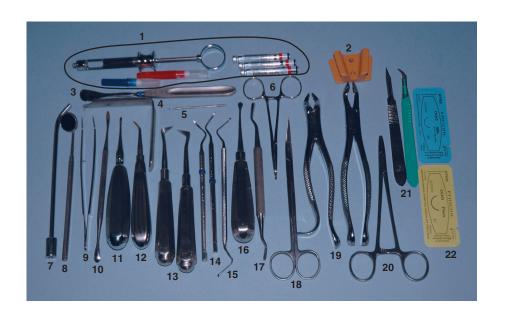
### **IMPACTION SET-UP**

# **PURPOSE:** To provide instrumentation for surgically removing impacted tooth. Often involves incision and bone removal.

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- **2.** Mouth prop
- **3.** Tissue retractor
- 4. Austin tissue retractor
- 5. Surgical bur
- **6.** Hemostat
- **7.** Surgical aspirating tip
- 8. Mouth mirror
- **9.** Cotton pliers
- **10.** Periosteal elevator
- **11.** Straight elevator

- **12.** Crane pick
- **13.** Angular elevators
- **14.** Root tip picks
- **15.** Surgical curette
- **16.** Molt curette
- **17.** Bone file
- **18.** Tissue scissor
- **19.** Extraction forceps
- **20.** Needle holder
- **21.** Scalpel(s)
- 22. Suture





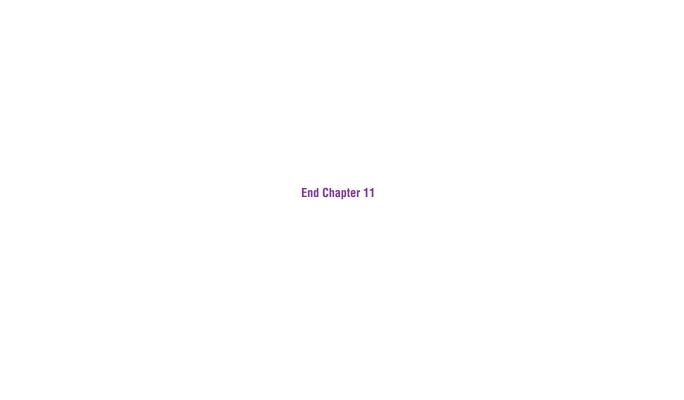


# SUTURE REMOVAL SET-UP

- **1.** Mouth mirror
- **2.** Explorer
- **3.** Suture removal scissors
- **4.** Cotton pliers
- **5.** Oral evacuator tip
- **6.** Air/water syringe tip
- **7.** 2 × 2 gauze

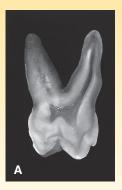






Chapter 12

# **Endodontic Instruments**





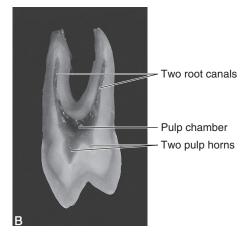
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# **ENDO EXPLORERS**

**FUNCTION:** To locate canal opening

TRAY SET-UP: Root canal



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# ENDO EXCAVATORS

**FUNCTION:** To remove pulp in pulp chamber; remove temporary filling and cotton pellets

from chamber

TRAY SET-UP: Root canal, pulpotomy



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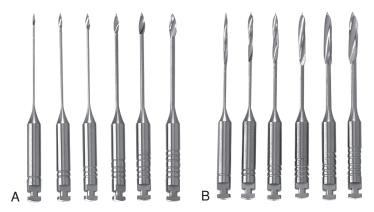
# **ENDODONTIC DRILL**

**FUNCTION:** To open coronal access, enlarge the cervical portion of the canal, and prepare the

canal entrance

**FEATURES:** Latch-type rotary instrument

Gates Glidden Drills and Peeso Drills/Reamers



(A) Gates Glidden Drills and (B) Peeso Reamers courtesy of Miltex, www.miltex.com





# BROACH

**FUNCTION:** To initially remove pulp from canal space

**FEATURES:** Stainless steel tips with fine barbs

DIAMETER SIZES: xxxfine—coarse





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### REAMER

**FUNCTION:** To remove pulp from canals; enlarge and shape canals for restorative materials

**FEATURES:** Stainless steel

 $TIP \ SIZE \ (DIAMETER): 6, \, 8, \, 10, \, 15, \, 20, \, 25, \, 30, \, 35, \, 40, \, 45, \, 50, \, 55, \, 60, \, 70, \, 80, \\$ 

90-110, 120-140

LENGTHS: 21, 25, and 31 mm

Hand or handpiece driven



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# K-FILE

**FUNCTION:** To remove pulp from canals; smooth and contour canal walls

**FEATURES:** Stainless steel

TIP SIZES: 6, 8, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 70, 80, 90–110,

120-140

LENGTHS: 21, 25, and 30/31 mm

Hand or handpiece driven



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# **HEDSTROM FILE**

**FUNCTION:** To remove pulp from canals; smooth and contour canal walls

**FEATURES:** Stainless steel

TIP SIZES: 8, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 70, 80, 90–110, 120–140

LENGTHS: 21, 25, and 30/31 mm

Hand or handpiece driven





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# NICKEL TITANIUM FILE

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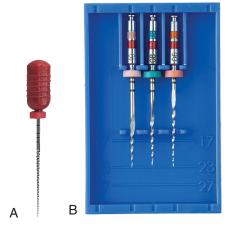
**FEATURES:** Nickel titanium gives better file flexibility for accessing curved canals

TIP SIZES: 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 60

LENGTHS: 21, 25, and 30

VARIABLE TIP TAPER: .02, .04, .06, .08, .10

Hand or handpiece driven





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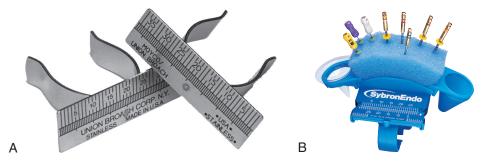
# TEST FILE GAUGE

**FUNCTION:** To measure and mark length of reamers and files

**FEATURES:** Metric rule

Separate instrument or incorporated into the file organizer

Some attached to finger ring for easy accessibility



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## **ENDODONTIC STOPS**

**FUNCTION:** To mark measured length of reamers

and files

**FEATURES:** 1.5-mm-thick silicone disc

Available in multiple colors

TRAY SET-UP: Root canal

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Careful measurement and marking of canal instruments is critical as

canal instruments is critical as intracanal instruments must not extend through the apical foramen

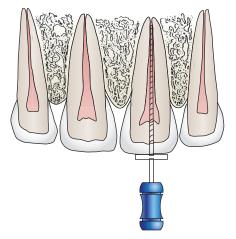


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# FILE ORGANIZER

**FUNCTION:** To hold and organize canal instruments for procedure

**FEATURES:** Autoclavable plastic or metal

May have built-in metric rule





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# PASTE FILLER

**FUNCTION:** Used in handpiece to place sealer/cement in canal space





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## **ENDO SPREADER**

**FUNCTION:** To laterally condense the filling material (gutta percha) in the canal

TRAY SET-UP: Root canal

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** There are three methods of filling the pulp canal:

1. Lateral condensation without heat

**2.** Warm condensation techniques

**3.** Core obturator



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## **ENDO PLUGGER**

**FUNCTION:** To laterally and vertically condense the filling material in the canal

Used in the lateral condensation and warm condensation techniques

TRAY SET-UP: Root canal

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** There are three methods of filling the pulp canal:

1. Lateral condensation without heat

**2.** Warm condensation techniques

**3.** Core obturator





# **ENDO-BENDER®**

**FUNCTION:** To bend endodontic instruments to conform to canal curvatures

**FEATURES:** Safely bends files, pluggers, and spreaders without crimping or breaking instrument

Autoclavable

Numbered gauge





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#### **HEAT OBTURATION UNIT**

**FUNCTION:** To heat canal-filling material (gutta percha or resin points) for the warm condensa-

tion technique.

**FEATURES:** Unit used to sear and remove excess material, heat master cone and vertically con-

dense ("down pack") material to obtain apical seal and backfill canals

TRAY SET-UP: Root canal

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** There are three methods of filling the pulp canal:

1. Lateral condensation without heat

2. Warm condensation techniques

**3.** Core obturator



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## **CORE OBTURATOR**

**FUNCTION:** To obtain apical seal and fill canal space

FEATURES: Flexible plastic and titanium carriers coated with plasticized gutta percha

One step filling with heated obturator

BRAND NAMES: Thermafil®, Densfil®, Soft-Core®



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## ENDODONTIC PLASTIC INSTRUMENT—GLICK 1

**FUNCTION:** To place temporary filling materials and to remove excess gutta percha

**FEATURES:** Elongated plugger on one end and a paddle on the other

1003850 PREMIER USA RC GLICK 1 CC

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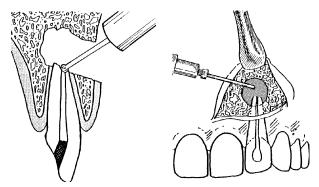




# MICRO/RETRO PLACEMENT INSTRUMENT

**FUNCTION:** To place retrograde filling material

TRAY SET-UP: Apicoectomy



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# RETRO FILLING INSTRUMENT

**FUNCTION:** To place and shape retrograde filling material

TRAY SET-UP: Apicoectomy



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## **IRRIGATING SYRINGE**

**FUNCTION:** To deliver irrigating solutions to the root canal(s)

Also used to deliver irrigating solutions to a surgical site and for postsurgical at-

home irrigation

**FEATURES:** Plastic syringe in 3 cc 6 cc and 12 cc sizes

Blunt end side-vent needles

TRAY SETUP: Root canal, Apicoectomy



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#### **PULP VITALITY TESTER**

**FUNCTION:** Delivers electric stimulus to tooth to determine vitality of pulp

**FEATURES:** Electric diagnostic unit

Graduated range of electric current settings

Probing tip to place on tooth crown

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Vital, healthy teeth will respond to a low level stimulus without pain. Nonvital

teeth generally have minimal or no response to a high-level stimulus. A conductor, such as toothpaste, is applied to the dry tooth surface before placing the probe tip.



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# APEX LOCATOR

**FUNCTION:** To locate apex and establish working length of the canal for instrumentation

**FEATURES:** Electric or battery operated

Audible signal



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#### **ENDODONTIC HANDPIECE**

**FUNCTION:** To hold and rotate rotary endodontic files for enlarging and shaping canal

**FEATURES:** Torque control motor and/or gear reduction handpiece

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Rotary endodontic files require a handpiece that operates at lower speeds and con-

trols torque, gearing, and direction of rotation. Torque control motors and gear reduction handpieces are utilized to operate endodontic rotary instruments safely and efficiently. Gear reduction contra-angles are available to fit all slow speed

handpieces.



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#### **ROOT CANAL SET-UP**

## PURPOSE:

To provide instrumentation for removing diseased pulp tissue, cleaning and shaping the canal(s), and filling and sealing the canal(s)

- 1. Dental dam set-up
- **2.** Local anesthesia set-up
- **3.** File gauge
- 4. Files
- 5. Stops
- 6. Burs
- **7.** Intracanal medications
- **8.** Temporary filling material
- **9.** Air/water syringe tip
- **10.** Oral evacuator tip
- **11.** Cotton pliers

- **12.** Endo explorer
- **13.** Endo excavator
- 14. Endo spreader
- 15. Endo plugger
- **16.** Endo plastic instrument
- **17.** Irrigating syringe
- **18.** Irrigating solution
- **19.** Paper points
- **20.** Gutta percha points
- **21.** Handpieces (high and low speed)







#### APICOECTOMY SET-UP

#### PURPOSE:

To provide instrumentation for a surgical procedure to remove infection around the apex of the tooth. After making a gingival flap and exposing the apex, a small preparation is made at the end of the root and a restoration placed to seal the canal apically (retrofill).

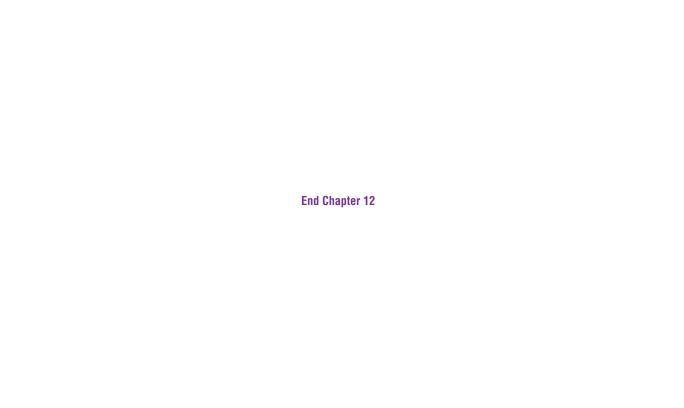
- **1.** Cotton rolls
- $2 \times 2$  gauze
- **3.** Cotton pellets
- **4.** Ultrasonic handpiece and tips
- 5. Minnesota retractor
- **6.** Adson tissue pliers
- **7.** Local anesthesia syringe
- **8.** Scalpel handles
- **9.** Micro surgical mirror

- **10.** Mouth mirror
- **11.** Explorer
- **12.** Cotton pliers
- **13.** Periodontal probe
- **14.** Endodontic explorer
- **15.** Periosteal elevator
- **16.** Molt curette
- **17.** Gracey curette
- **18.** Cement spatula
- **19.** High speed handpiece

- **20.** Burs
- **21.** Glass slab
- 22. Retrofill material
- **23.** Micro/retro placement instrument
- **24.** Retro filling instrument
- **25.** Discoid/cleoid
- 26. Needle holder
- **27.** Iris tissue scissors
- **28.** Surgical aspirating tip









# Hygiene and Periodontal Instruments



#### **PERIODONTAL PROBE**

**FUNCTION:** To measure depth of gingival sulcus, assess gingival bleeding and attachment levels

**FEATURES:** Cylindrical or flat with blunt end or ball tip

Millimeter markings in variety of increments (3-6-9-12; 1-2-3-5-7-8-9-10; 3-6-8-11; 2-4-6-8-10-12)

Metal probes have notched lines, black or yellow millimeter markings

Plastic probes have green and red millimeter markings

Automated probes also available

TRAY SET-UP: Periodontal exam, prophylaxis, may be part of basic set-up



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### **FURCATION PERIODONTAL PROBE**

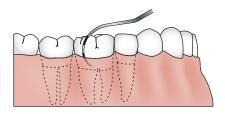
**FUNCTION:** To measure the extent of furcation involvement (loss of bone) on a multirooted

tooth

**FEATURES:** Curved working end

Double ended to allow access to all areas

TRAY SET-UP: Periodontal exam









#### SICKLE SCALER—STRAIGHT

**FUNCTION:** To remove supragingival calculus and cement

**FEATURES:** Triangular toe ends in a sharp point/tip

Two straight cutting edges on the blade

Usually double ended

Also known as a Jacquette scaler

**TRAY SET-UP:** Prophylaxis, crown cementation and removal, and orthodontic band cementation

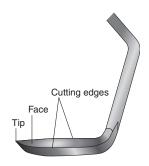
and removal

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Scalers are also categorized as (1) anterior or (2) universal. The difference between

the two is in the design of the shank. Anterior scalers have a straight shank which limits the adaptability of the instruments. Universal scalers have a curved shank

and are double ended to allow access to all areas of the mouth.









#### SICKLE SCALER—CURVED

**FUNCTION:** To remove supragingival calculus and cement

**FEATURES:** Triangular toe ends in a sharp point

Two curved cutting edges on the blade

Usually double ended

H6/H7, 204S, and U15 are common designs

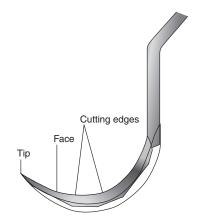
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and are double ended to allow access to all areas of the mouth.







### **HOE SCALER**

**FUNCTION:** To remove heavy, tenacious calculus as an alternative to the ultrasonic scaler

Used on anterior sextants or adjacent to edentulous areas; vertical pull stroke

**FEATURES:** Single, straight cutting edge

Four designs for the four tooth surfaces—mesial, distal, facial, and lingual

**TRAY SET-UP:** Prophylaxis







### PERIODONTAL FILE

**FUNCTION:** To crush and remove heavy calculus deposits as an alternative to the ultrasonic

scaler; pull stroke

Also used to smooth CEJ and rough or overhanging amalgams

**FEATURES:** Series of cutting edges on a single base

Hirschfield and Orban designs

TRAY SET-UP: Prophylaxis







# IMPLANT SCALER

**FUNCTION:** Used to remove supragingival calculus without damaging titanium implants

**FEATURES:** Resin tips that do not scratch titanium

**TRAY SET-UP:** Prophylaxis



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### **UNIVERSAL CURETTES**

**FUNCTION:** To remove supragingival and subgingival calculus; periodontal debridement

**FEATURES:** Two cutting edges and a rounded toe

Each instrument can be used on both mesial and distal surfaces in all areas of the

mouth

Usually double ended

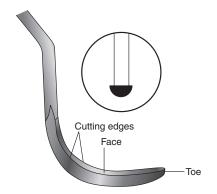
COMMON DESIGNS: Barnhart, Columbia, Langer, McCall's, Goldman-Fox

**TRAY SET-UP:** Periodontal debridement (periodontal scaling and root planing), periodontal

surgery



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#### **GRACEY CURETTES (AREA SPECIFIC)**

**FUNCTION:** To remove supragingival and subgingival calculus; periodontal debridement

Designed to permit greater accessibility and adaptability in periodontal treatment

**FEATURES:** Blade angulation designed for specific surfaces of the tooth and specific areas of the mouth

Angulation of blade allows use of only one cutting edge

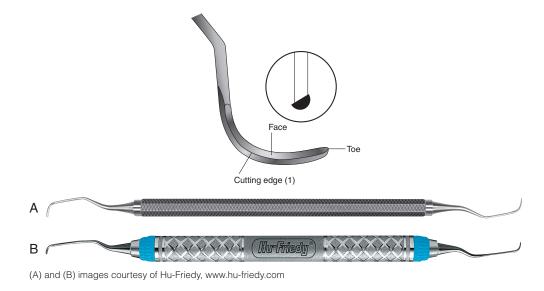
Optional rigid shank for removal of heavier calculus

Double ended—1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 9/10, 11/12, 13/14, 15/16, 17/18

Variations to standard Gracey curette:

- **1.** 3 mm longer shank for pocket depths of 5 mm or more (After Five<sup>TM</sup>, +3<sup>TM</sup> Deep Pocket)
- **2.** 3 mm longer shank and 50% shorter blade for greater access in narrow pockets and furcation areas in pocket depths of 5 mm or more (Mini Five<sup>TM</sup>,  $+3^{TM}$  Access)

**TRAY SET-UP:** Periodontal debridement (periodontal scaling and root planing), periodontal surgery







### PROPHY-JET®

**FUNCTION:** To remove dental plaque, soft debris, and stain

**FEATURES:** Air polishing system utilizing air pressure to propel water and sodium bicarbonate

mixture against tooth surfaces

Alternative to traditional rubber cup polishing

TRAY SET-UP: Prophylaxis



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#### **ULTRASONIC SCALER**

**FUNCTION:** To remove supra- and subgingival bacterial plaque and calculus with high

frequency sound wave vibrations

**FEATURES:** Power-driven scaler

Magnetostrictive and piezoelectric types

Handpiece design with tip inserts

Water is supplied to instrument tip to cool tooth and irrigate area

On some models, antimicrobial solutions can also be delivered through the tip

inserts to the treatment area

**TRAY SET-UP:** Prophylaxis, periodontal debridement

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Contraindicated in patients with a communicable disease, immunocompromised

individuals and young children. Patient should wear safety glasses and a fluid

resistant drape during the procedure.



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## PERIODONTAL KNIFE

**FUNCTION:** For initial incision to remove or

recontour soft tissue

FEATURES: Common designs: Kirkland,

Goldman-Fox

**TRAY SET-UP:** Gingivectomy and gingivoplasty

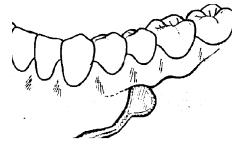


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# INTERDENTAL PERIODONTAL KNIFE

**FUNCTION:** Spear-pointed blade to remove interproximal tissue

**TRAY SET-UP:** Gingivectomy and gingivoplasty







# PERIODONTAL SURGICAL FILE—SUGARMAN

**FUNCTION:** To recontour and smooth bone in bony pockets

TRAY SET-UP: Osteoplasty







# PERIODONTAL POCKET MARKER

**FUNCTION:** To make small holes to mark depth of gingival sulcus and extent of diseased tissue

TRAY SET-UP: Gingivectomy

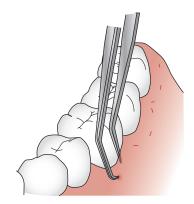




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# TISSUE NIPPERS

**FUNCTION:** To remove tissue "tags" and contour interproximal gingiva during soft tissue

surgery

TRAY SET-UP: Gingivoplasty



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#### PROPHYLAXIS SET-UP

# **PURPOSE:** To provide instrumentation for removing plaque and calculus from tooth surfaces

- **1.** Mouth mirror
- **2.** 5 explorer (combination of #23 and #17)
- **3.** 11/12 explorer
- **4.** Periodontal probe
- **5.** Cotton pliers
- 6. H6/H7 scaler
- **7.** 204S scaler

- 8. Prophy handpiece
- **9.** Disposable prophy angle with brush
- **10.** Disposable prophy angle with cup
- **11.** Prophy paste
- **12.** Air/water syringe tip
- **13.** Saliva ejector tip
- **14.** Floss
- **15.**  $2 \times 2$  Gauze







#### **SEALANT SET-UP**

# **PURPOSE:** To provide instrumentation for preparing tooth surface and placing sealant material on occlusal pits and fissures

- **1.** 2 × 2 Gauze
- **2.** Dri-angles
- 3. Cotton rolls
- 4. Disposable prophy angle with brush
- **5.** Prophy handpiece
- 6. Air/water syringe tip
- **7.** Saliva ejector tip

- 8. Oral evacuator tip
- **9.** Cotton pliers
- **10.** Mouth mirror
- **11.** Explorer
- **12.** Acid etch, drying agent (optional), sealant material
- **13.** Articulating paper





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#### PERIODONTAL DEBRIDEMENT SET-UP

#### PURPOSE:

To provide instrumentation for removing residual calculus and bacterial toxins from the root surface and gingival wall to promote health and reattachment of the periodontal tissues

- 1. Local anesthesia set-up
- **2.** Cotton pliers
- **3.** Sharpening stone
- **4.** Mouth mirror
- **5.** *5* explorer (combination of #23 and #17)
- **6.** 11/12 explorer
- 7. Periodontal probe
- **8.** 204S scaler

- 9. H6/H7 scaler
- **10.** Gracey curette 1/2
- **11.** Gracey curette 7/8
- **12.** Gracey curette 11/12
- **13.** Gracey curette 13/14
- **14.** Gracey curette 15/16
- **15.** McCalls curette 17/18
- **16.** Air/water syringe tip
- **17.** Oral evacuator tip







#### GINGIVECTOMY/GINGIVOPLASTY SET-UP

**PURPOSE:** To provide instrumentation for removing excess/diseased gingiva and for reshaping remaining gingiva to normal contour and marginal outline

1.	Local anesthesia
	set-up

- **2.**  $2 \times 2$  Gauze
- **3.** High-speed handpiece
- 4. Diamonds/burs
- **5.** Suture
- **6.** Tissue nippers
- **7.** Iris tissue scissors
- 8. Periodontal dressing

- **9.** Sharpening stone
- 10. Cotton pliers11. Mouth mirror
- **12.** 11/12 Explorer
- **13.** Periodontal probe
- **14.** Periodontal pocket marker
- 15. Periodontal knife
- **16.** Interdental knife
- **17.** H6/H7 scaler

- **18.** 204S scaler
- **19.** Gracey curette 1/2
- **20.** Gracey curette 7/8
- **21.** Gracey curette 11/12
- **22.** Gracey curette 13/14
- **23.** Gracey curette 15/16
- **24.** McCalls curette 17/18
- **25.** Surgical aspirating tip
- **26.** Hemostat/needle holder







#### **OSTEOPLASTY**

# **PURPOSE:** To provide instrumentation for removing bony defects caused by periodontal disease and for reshaping remaining bone

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<b>1.</b> Local anesthesia set-up	12.	C
<b>2.</b> 2 × 2 Gauze	13.	S

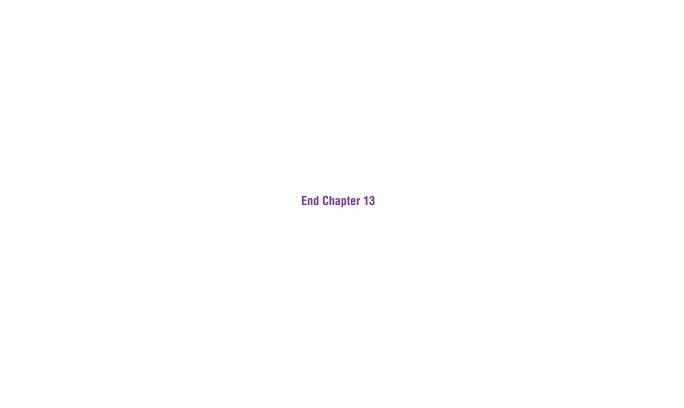
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- **4.** Diamonds/burs
- **5.** Tissue nippers
- 6. Iris tissue scissors
- 7. Suture
- **8.** Periodontal dressing
- 9. Sharpening stone
- 10. Mouth mirror
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- **12.** Cotton pliers
- **13.** Scalpel
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- **20.** Gracey curette 1/2
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- 23. Gracey curette 13/14
- **24.** Gracey curette 15/16
- **25.** McCalls curette 17/18
- **26.** Sugarman periodontal file
- **27.** Hirschfield periodontal file
- **28.** Surgical aspirating tip
- **29.** Hemostat/needle holder

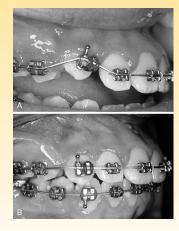








# Orthodontic Instruments





#### **UTILITY PLIERS—WEINGART**

**FUNCTION:** General purpose plier used to place and remove archwires

Also used for placement of bands, brackets, and auxiliaries

**FEATURES:** Angled, serrated tips

TRAY SET-UP: Archwire adjustment and tie-in, banding and bonding



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#### **UTILITY PLIERS—HOW**

**FUNCTION:** To place and remove archwires

Also used for placement of bands, brackets, and auxiliaries

**FEATURES:** Serrated tips

Angled or straight tip designs

TRAY SET-UP: Archwire adjustment and tie-in, banding and bonding



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#### WIRE BENDING PLIERS—BIRD BEAK

**FUNCTION:** To bend and contour orthodontic wires

**FEATURES:** One round tip, one pyramid-shaped tip

Short- and long-tip designs

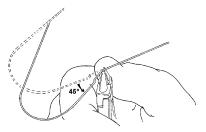


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# WIRE BENDING PLIERS—OPTICAL

**FUNCTION:** To bend and contour orthodontic wires

**FEATURES:** Long, round tips

Adjusts all types of loops



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# WIRE BENDING PLIERS—ARCH BENDING

**FUNCTION:** To torque and bend archwire



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# WIRE BENDING PLIERS—LOOP FORMING

**FUNCTION:** To make various loops in archwires



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# WIRE BENDING PLIERS—3-PRONG

**FUNCTION:** To bend and contour orthodontic wires, especially clasp and appliance adjustment

**TRAY SET-UP:** Appliance adjustment



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# **CONTOURING PLIERS**

**FUNCTION:** To contour bands and temporary crowns in cervical area

**FEATURES:** "Bird beak" and "ball and socket" designs

TRAY SET-UP: Band seating, crown prep



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#### WIRE CUTTER—PIN AND LIGATURE CUTTER

**FUNCTION:** To cut soft wires and ligatures



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# WIRE CUTTER—DISTAL END CUTTER

**FUNCTION:** To cut archwires

**FEATURES:** Designed to cut and safely

hold the cut end of a tied-

in archwire

TRAY SET-UP: Archwire adjustment and

tie-in

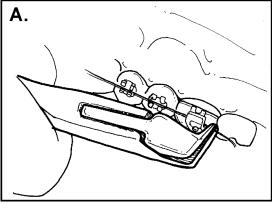


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# WIRE CUTTER—HARD WIRE CUTTER

**FUNCTION:** To cut archwires before placement



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# SEPARATING PLIERS

**FUNCTION:** To place separators

TRAY SET-UP: Preliminary appointment prior to band fitting and seating

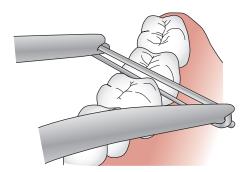


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#### LIGATURE TYING PLIERS

**FUNCTION:** To tie/twist ligature wires around brackets to secure archwire

**FEATURES:** Slots in working ends securely hold ligature wires for tying archwire into bracket

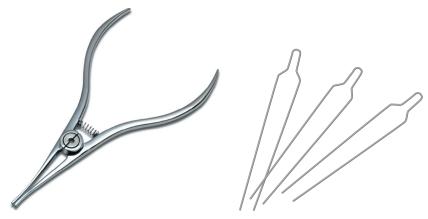


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## LIGATURE TUCKER/DIRECTOR

**FUNCTION:** To tuck the cut ends of the ligature wires

under the archwire

FEATURES: Note

Notched tips for tucking wires

Flat serrated ends for tucking wires and assisting in placement of elastic ligatures

Curved pointed ends for removing elastic ligatures

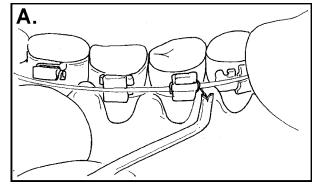


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**TRAY SET-UP:** Archwire adjustment and tie-in



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## MATHIEU PLIERS

**FUNCTION:** To place elastic auxiliaries

**FEATURES:** Quick-release locking mechanism on handles

TRAY SET-UP: Archwire adjustment and tie-in



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## BAND PUSHERS

**FUNCTION:** To place orthodontic bands with hand pressure

TRAY SET-UP: Band fitting and seating





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## BAND SEATERS ("BITE STICK")

**FUNCTION:** To place orthodontic bands with biting pressure

TRAY SET-UP: Band fitting and seating



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## BAND FILE

**FUNCTION:** To shape bands, burnish and remove burs, and mark archwires

TRAY SET-UP: Band fitting and seating



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## BRACKET PLACEMENT MARKER—BOONE POSITIONING GAUGE

**FUNCTION:** To determine correct placement of brackets

**TRAY SET-UP:** Bracket placement and bonding



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## **BONDING TWEEZERS**

**FUNCTION:** To hold bracket for accurate placement during bonding procedure

TRAY SET-UP: Bracket placement and bonding



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## BAND REMOVING PLIERS

**FUNCTION:** To remove orthodontic

bands

TRAY SET-UP: Debanding/debonding

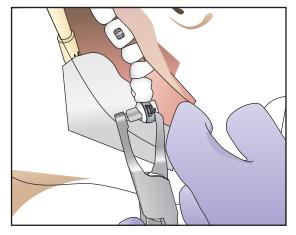


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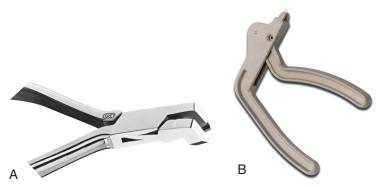




## **DEBONDING PLIERS/INSTRUMENT**

**FUNCTION:** To remove orthodontic brackets

TRAY SET-UP: Bracket removal/debonding



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## BOND REMOVER PLIERS

**FUNCTION:** To remove bonding and composite materials

TRAY SET-UP: Bracket removal/debonding



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## PLACEMENT OF ELASTIC SEPARATORS SET-UP

# **PURPOSE:** To provide instrumentation for placement of separators at mesial and distal contacts of first permanent molars to create space for seating orthodontic band

- **1.** Mouth mirror
- **2.** Explorer
- **3.** Cotton pliers
- **4.** Separating pliers
- **5.** Elastic separators
- **6.** Floss
- **7.** Air/water syringe tip
- **8.** Saliva ejector tip





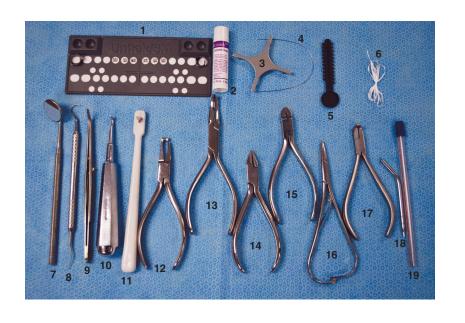


#### BAND SEATING AND BRACKET BONDING SET-UP

## **PURPOSE:** To provide instrumentation to fit, position, cement/bond bands and brackets, and tie-in initial archwire

- **1.** Brackets and bands on organizer
- 2. Cement guard
- **3.** Boone positioning gauge
- 4. Archwire
- **5.** Elastic ligatures
- 6. Floss
- **7.** Mouth mirror
- **8.** Explorer
- 9. Cotton pliers
- **10.** Band pusher

- 11. Band seater
- **12.** Band removing pliers
- **13.** Weingart utility pliers
- **14.** Wire bending pliers
- **15.** Wire cutter
- **16.** Mathieu pliers
- **17.** Distal end cutter
- **18.** Air/water syringe tip
- **19.** Saliva ejector tip

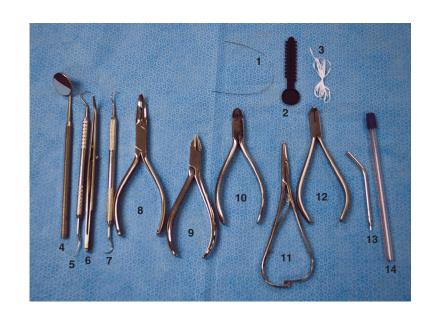






## **ARCHWIRE ADJUSTMENT AND TIE-IN SET-UP**

**PURPOSE:** To provide instrumentation for archwire adjustment or replacement at periodic intervals







## **DEBANDING/DEBONDING SET-UP**

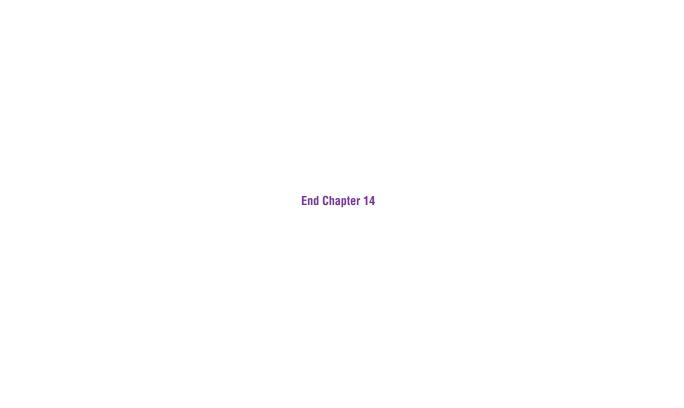
## **PURPOSE:** To provide instrumentation for removing bands and brackets at completion of treatment

- **1.** Finishing burs, polishing points, and discs
- 2. Contra-angle handpiece attachment
- **3.** Prophy handpiece
- **4.** Prophy paste
- **5.** Disposable prophy angle with cup
- **6.** Floss
- 7. Mouth mirror
- 8. Explorer

- **9.** Cotton pliers
- 10. Scaler
- **11.** Weingart utility pliers
- **12.** Band removing pliers
- **13.** Debracketing instrument
- **14.** Air/water syringe tip
- **15.** Saliva ejector tip
- **16.** Oral evacuator tip









# Radiographic Instruments and Equipment





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## INTRAORAL FILM

**FUNCTION:** To record images of teeth

and oral structures

**FEATURES:** Plastic (poly) or paper

packets

Available with clear barrier packets

Color-coded single and double film packets

Sizes: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4

Film speed D and F

Size 0

Size 3

Size 1

Size 2

Size 4



(A) Kodak film packages with ClinAsept barrier film packets, (B) Insight film packet, and (C) Suresoft film packet courtesy of Carestream Health, Inc., www.kodakdental.com





## INTRAORAL DIGITAL SENSORS

**FUNCTION:** To record images of teeth and oral structures using digital technology

**FEATURES:** 1. Phosphor storage plates

Sizes: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4

Similar in size and shape to conventional intraoral film Image is stored on sensor and then scanned to computer

2. CCD sensor

Sizes 1 and 2

Wired sensor

Image is immediately sent to computer



(1) PSP sensors and scanner for PSP sensors and (2) CCD sensors courtesy of Air Techniques, Inc., www.airtechniques.com





## FILM HOLDERS

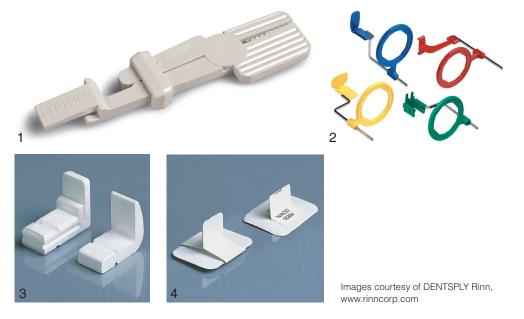
**FUNCTION:** To stabilize film in patient's mouth during exposure

**COMMON TYPES: 1.** Snap-A-Ray (formerly EEZEE Grip)

2. Rinn XCP

**3.** Stabe

**4.** Bitewing tabs—pressure sensitive or loop style







# INTRAORAL X-RAY SYSTEM

**FUNCTION:** To provide x-rays for film and digital sensor exposure

**FEATURES:** Adjustable exposure values—preprogrammed and manual

Mobile and wall mounted



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# PANORAMIC AND CEPHALOMETRIC IMAGING SYSTEM

**FUNCTION:** To provide x-rays for film and digital sensor exposure

To position patient and film/digital sensor for exposure

Digital and film based





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# **CONE BEAM 3D IMAGING**

**FUNCTION:** To capture anatomically correct 3D images of oral and facial structures

**FEATURES:** Digital extraoral imaging system

Provides information not visible in traditional two-dimensional images

Used in implant treatment planning, temporomandibular joint analysis, oral and maxillofacial surgery, orthodontic treatment planning, and other dental procedures





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#### **AUTOMATIC PROCESSOR**

**FUNCTION:** Automates all film processing steps

Transports unwrapped dental film through the developer, fixer, water, and drying

chamber and into film recovery slots

**FEATURES:** Roller and rollerless transport systems

Daylight loader option

Some process only intraoral film sizes; other models process both intraoral and

extraoral films

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Regular preventive maintenance and a closely followed cleaning and replenishment

schedule are necessary to ensure optimum performance and prevent malfunction-

ing of an automatic processor.



(A) A/T 2000 and (B) Peri-Pro® III with daylight loader courtesy of Air Techniques.







# Infection Control<br/>Instruments and Equipment





# PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)—CLINIC JACKET/LAB COAT AND GLOVES

**FUNCTION:** To protect health care workers' skin from contact with pathogens and chemicals during treatment procedures, treatment room decontamination, and instrument processing

#### **GLOVE FEATURES:**

1. Exam gloves Latex, nitrile, or vinyl Powdered or powder free Sizes: XS, S, M, L, XL

2. Surgical gloves
Sterile latex, nitrile, or chloroprene
Right/left hand specific
Powdered or powder free
Sizes: 5 1/2, 6, 6 1/2, 7, 7 1/2, 8, 8 1/2, 9

**3.** Utility gloves
Heavyweight nitrile for sterilization
and disinfection procedures
Sizes: S, M, L, XL

**4.** Overgloves
Disposable clear plastic
Sizes: S, M, L



**JACKET FEATURES:** Moisture resistant disposable or cloth

Long, cuffed sleeves

Crew neck with snap or button closure















# PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)—MASKS AND PROTECTIVE GLASSES

**FUNCTION:** To protect health care workers' mucous membranes from contact with airborne

pathogens, debris and chemicals during treatment procedures, treatment room

decontamination, and instrument processing

MASK FEATURES: Covers nose and mouth

Earloop, molded cup, and surgical tie-on styles

Fluid resistant outer layer

Varying filtration rates

**GLASSES FEATURES:** Impact resistant

Wrap around or with side shields for full coverage

Variety of sizes and styles available







(A) Earloop mask, (B) tie-on mask, and (C) molded cup with elastic band courtesy of Crosstex, www.crosstex.com





## **INSTRUMENT CASSETTES**

**FUNCTION:** To organize instruments for use at chairside

To hold instruments during cleaning and sterilization procedures

**FEATURES:** Constructed of metal or heat resistant resin

Many sizes and designs to accommodate different number and shapes of

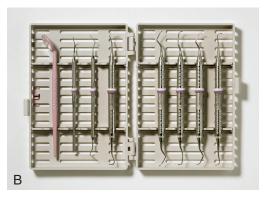
instruments

**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Cassettes are an efficient way to organize instruments in functional sets for

treatment procedures, decontamination and sterilization, and storage. Cassettes hold the instruments during use at chairside. Following the procedure, instruments

remain in the closed cassette during cleaning and packaging for sterilization.





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#### **INSTRUMENT WRAP AND PACKAGING**

**FUNCTION:** To package instrument cassettes and single or grouped instruments for sterilization

Maintains sterility of instruments during storage and until time of use

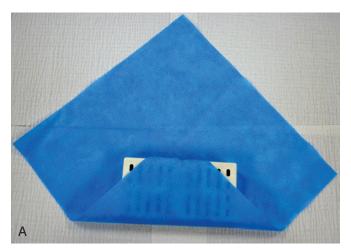
FEATURES: Nonwoven, moisture resistant CSR wrap for use with steam, chemical vapor, and

ethylene oxide (EO) gas (some can also be used with dry heat)

Steam permeable paper and paper/plastic pouches available in various sizes for use

with steam, chemical vapor, or EO gas

Nylon tubing available for use with dry heat, chemical vapor, and steam







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#### **ULTRASONIC CLEANER**

**FUNCTION:** To remove debris from instruments in preparation for sterilization

Also used to remove debris from dentures and other dental appliances before

disinfection

FEATURES: Interior removable basket to hold instruments during debris removal cycle and

during rinsing

Timed cycle

One gallon and 3 gallon size

CLINICAL APPLICATION: Ultrasonic cleaners are not sterilizers. Utility gloves should be worn when placing

instruments in the ultrasonic and when rinsing and drying them because the "cleaned" instruments are still contaminated. Always place the lid on the

ultrasonic during the cleaning cycle to reduce airborne contaminants and splash.

The ultrasonic solution should be changed at least once a day.



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**FUNCTION:** To destroy all microbes on dental instruments

**DENTAL STERILIZERS:** 1. Steam autoclave

**2.** Unsaturated chemical vapor sterilizer

**3.** Dry heat sterilizer—oven type or rapid heat transfer

**4.** Ethylene Oxide (EO) gas sterilization is primarily used in hospitals and industry, very minimal use in dentistry. (not pictured)









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#### **BIOLOGICAL INDICATORS (BIs)**

**FUNCTION:** Sterilization indicator

Monitors sterilization process by assessing destruction of highly resistant microbes

**FEATURES:** Spore strips or ampules of nonpathogenic bacterial

spores (geobacillus stearothermophilus and/or

bacillus atrophaeus spores)

Also known as spore tests

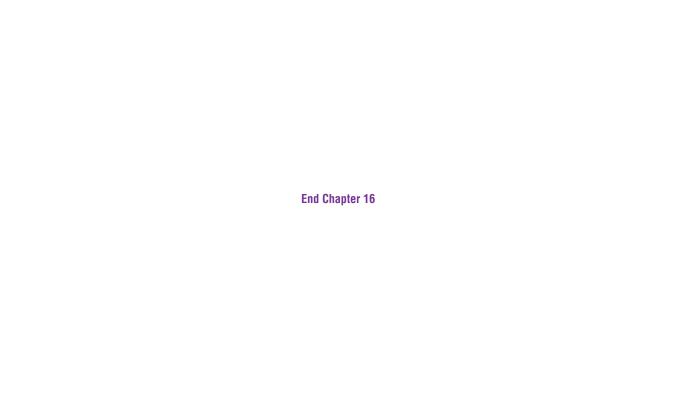
**CLINICAL APPLICATION:** Weekly biological monitoring is recommended by the Centers for Disease Control

(CDC) and the Organization for Safety, Asepsis and Prevention (OSAP). A biological monitor (BI) is placed inside an instrument package and sterilized with other instrument packages under normal circumstances. After the sterilization cycle the processed BI and a control BI (one not exposed to sterilization process) are sent to an independent monitoring service or the BIs can be incubated inoffice with a dry block incubator. A negative result indicates that sterilization occurred, all spores destroyed. A positive result indicates a sterilization failure,

spores survived.









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