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Anti-Cavity Products

Xylishield gum, mints, mouthrinse, and toothpaste contain high levels of Xylitol, an all-natural sweetener that has been shown to reduce the risk of tooth decay, according to the manufacturer. All the products are available in mint flavor; the gum and mints are also available in cinnamon flavor. A Xylishield Dental Care Kit includes one 16oz mouthrinse, one 4.7oz tube of toothpaste, two boxes of mints, and four boxes of gum.



For more information, contact Ultradent Products, Inc., 505 W. 10200 S., South Jordan, UT 84095; www.ultradent.com.

LED Curing Light

The BraceCure LED Curing Light from OrthoEssentials is a cordless, compact, and user-friendly unit that provides a powerful 1,500mW/cm² light at a wavelength of 450-480 nanometers, according to the manufacturer. Four working modes include 5-, 10-, and 15-second settings and a 20-second pulse mode. Other features include a high-capacity battery, a low-battery indicator, and high-articulation optical fiber.



For additional information, contact OrthoEssentials, 115 Harding Road, Southampton, PA 18966. (866) 517-3257; www.orthoessentials.net.

Left-Handed Burs

Cutting burs specially designed for left-handed operators are available for eight of Komet USA's most popular instruments. Unlike standard cutters, these specialty burs allow left-handed users to work in a comfortable and ergonomic position, according to the manufacturer. The left-handed instruments include burs for rough trimming of plaster and fine trimming of acrylics and metal surfaces, as well as stainless steel mandrels with left-handed threads to be used with polishers.



For additional information, contact Komet USA, 3042 Southcross Blvd., Suite 101, Rock Hill, SC 29730. (888) 566-3887; www.kometusa.com.

Dry Mouth Rinse

Dr. Fresh's Orazyme Dry Mouth Mouthwash targets the causes and symptoms of dry mouth, controlling the balance of oral bacteria to replace moisture lost due to compromised saliva production, according to the manufacturer. The alcohol- and sugar-free rinse is formulated to protect the mouth's immune functions and provide relief to patients suffering from xerostomia caused by disease, medications, stress, or vitamin deficiencies.



For information, contact Dr. Fresh, 6645 Caballero Blvd., Buena Park, CA 90620. (866) 373-7371; www.drffreshdental.com.

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“Green” Detergents

Hu-Friedy’s biodegradable, phosphate-free Enzymax instrument-cleaning detergents now contain enzyme stabilizers that are safer for the environment, with more rapid biodegradability, lower inherent toxicity, and fewer toxic byproducts, according to the company. Enzymax Earth is packaged in either a 1-gallon bottle of liquid concentrate, producing 128 gallons of detergent, or sets of 32 or 96 powder packets that produce 1 gallon each.

For information, contact Hu-Friedy, 3232 N. Rockwell, Chicago, IL 60618. (800) HU-FRIEDY; www.hu-friedy.com.

Touchless Mouse

A touchless computer pointing device, Topo Jojo, is designed to prevent cross-contamination in healthcare settings. Finger movements are captured by an infrared sensor that connects to a PC with a USB cable, according to the manufacturer. No batteries or other external power is required.

For information, contact Qualstar Corporation, 3990 Heritage Oak Court, Simi Valley, CA 93063. (805) 583-7744; www.topojojo.com.



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