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Esthetic Bracket

The Avex CX ceramic twin bracket has been added to the Avex Suite of completely interchangeable metal and ceramic brackets. The polycrystalline alumina bracket body blends with enamel, according to the manufacturer, and features a unique tie-wing shape, mesial and distal pockets, and the same in/out dimensions as the Avex Suite's stainless steel brackets and buccal tubes. The Avex CXi ceramic bracket includes metal slot liners.



For information, contact Opal Orthodontics, 505 W. 10200 S., South Jordan, UT 84095. (888) 863-5883; www.opalorthodontics. com.

Handpiece Maintenance

J. Morita's Lubrina Automatic Handpiece Maintenance System now features substantially increased airflow speed for more power, producing better results in the same 25-second clean-and-purge cycle, according to the company. The four-port unit is designed for compatibility with a number of different lubricants and handpiece brands, including four- and five-hole and six-pin connections.



For additional information, contact J. Morita USA, Inc., 9 Mason Lane, Irvine, CA 92618. (888) JMORITA; www. jmoritausa.com.

Spring Components Kit

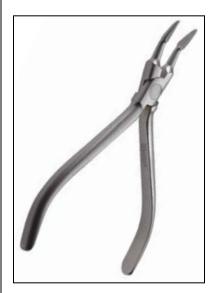
LeoneAmerica offers the Pozzi Malibu Inman Power Component (IPC) Kit for in-house or laboratory construction of lowprofile appliances designed for a range of tooth movements, including molar distalization, space opening, and arch expansion. Coil springs are activated predictably in 1mm increments with a unidirectional sliding lock, according to the manufacturer. IPC components can also be ordered separately.



For more information, contact LeoneAmerica, a division of American Tooth Industries, 501 W. Van Buren, Suite S, Avondale, AZ 85353. (800) 242-9986; www. americantooth.com.

Orthodontic Instruments

Ortho Organizers' new Triumph line of cutting, wireforming, and utility pliers features high-quality, corrosion-resistant stainless steel forgings and inserts and diamond-honed cutting edges, according to the company. Each instrument is laser-engraved with its part number and applicable wire sizes for easy identification, and the satin-finished bodies and handles are ergonomically designed for comfort.



For more information, contact Ortho Organizers, 1822 Aston Ave., Carlsbad, CA 92008. (888) 851-0533; www.orthoorganizers. com.

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Esthetic Archwires

BioCosmetic archwires from Forestadent can remain in place as long as uncoated wires—six to eight weeks—without discoloration of the coating, according to the manufacturer. The superelastic nickel titanium wires, designed to provide extremely low forces, are available for both upper and lower .018" and .022" brackets.

For more information, contact Forestadent USA, 2315 Weldon Parkway, St. Louis, MO 63146. (800) 721-4940; www. forestadentusa.com.



Rewards Program

Ormco's Loyalty Rewards Program is available to new or current customers. A percentage of every dollar spent on core products (all Ormco brackets, tubes, and bands) earns rewards points, according to the company. A selfservice web portal allows members to track their accumulated points, which can be redeemed for hundreds of Ormco ancillary products or used to pay for continuing-education courses.

For more information, contact Ormco Corporation, 1717 W. Collins, Orange, CA 92867. (800) 854-1741; www.ormcorewards. com.

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