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ESSENTIAL DENTAL SEMINARS (2-Day Hands-on Workshop)
The Safe Side of Engine Driven Endodontics
Class size: 25
Class by Specialty - 75% General Practitioners, 25% Endodontists
Review by Alan. M. Anderson, DMD

The most intensive “hands-on” course I have ever taken…period! This is one course that delivers on its promise of being a hands-on workshop. Within 90 minutes of this two-day course, we were practicing new clinical endo techniques with extracted teeth and digital x-rays. With the helpful coaching of international teachers Dr. Barry Musikant and Dr. Allan Deutsch, we learned endo secrets I wish I had learned twenty years ago. It was not just general dentists who felt this way; one fourth of the class was filled with endodontists, who also seemed impressed with their new-found skills.

I highly recommend this course to all dentists who currently do endo, all dentists who want to do endo, and all dentists who want to conquer their “separation anxiety” (the fear of breaking rotary or hand files). Using the techniques taught in this course I couldn’t break instruments even when I tried to. I confess prior to this class I also suffered from “MB2 anxiety”, (the fear of not finding or being able complete the MB2). Finding and obturating an MB2 canal may never be as easy as a central incisor. However, with the new techniques taught in this class, the MB2, as well as calcified and other canals become much less of a challenge. An unexpected bonus included the opportunity to practice with several types of endo microscopes.

Of special interest to me were the unique three dimensional microscopy videos and 3D glasses used to demonstrate files traversing tortuous and calcified canals. The take home materials included these 3-D DVD presentations, a step-by-step bound manual, plus other audio-visual and printed material for review at home.

This is an excellent endodontic course, which I enthusiastically recommend with two thumbs up.