



What's Hot and What's Getting Hotter

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DryerPliers

DP Dental Inc.

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Hemostats be gone! At last, we have a tool that will place and remove sectional matrices without deformation of the band and disrupting the tight contact. DryerPliers were invented by a general dentist and have solved a problem often faced in placing and removing any brand of sectional matrix bands. These are a set of clearly marked mesial and distal pliers that are fully autoclavable and easy to use with any system. Check the website for instructional videos.

The obvious markings of "M" and "D" indicate which plier to use when placing the sectional band, but it is always the "D" instrument that is used to remove the sectional matrix. These pliers hold the band firmly and will not crimp or bend them during placement but will do so upon removal, thereby ensuring the tight contact you have created to remain undisturbed.



Jeff Dryer, DDS, is the inventor of these "must-have" instruments for anyone using sectional matrix bands for class II restorations. I am a fan and user of ring and sectional systems, and this solves a problem I was experiencing. Certainly, you should have a set in each operatory and discounts are available for multiple sets. Bravo, Dr. Dryer!

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