

Bright future for Bremadent

London-based dental laboratory Bremadent is under new ownership, with a former apprentice acquiring the business. Kash Qureshi (pictured) – a qualified CDT – is the new owner and managing director. He joined Bremadent ten years ago, straight from school at the age of 16. Kash qualified as a dental technician in 2009, and as a clinical dental technician last year, making him the youngest CDT in the country.

The laboratory was established by John Gerrard in 1969, initially as a small one-storey building adjacent to a dental practice. Over the years Bremadent expanded to offer a full service and is now a full-service lab occupying a two-storey building with office space, in-house clinic, sterilisation room and multiple departments.

Recent changes have included investment into the latest CAD/CAM technology with Sirona, Cercon, Procera

with an in-house milling and digital impressions centre for metal free restorations. Earlier this year the lab set up the Swisedent Denture Clinic, with Kash treating patients directly. The lab has a fleet of three Smart cars covering the whole of London for pick up and delivery.

Kash commented, 'I'm really excited for the future and looking forward to getting the Bremadent name back out there. I'm keen to build up the business, create jobs for a future generation of technicians and create a successful dental laboratory from a young person's perspective.'

Kash's future plans for Bremadent include increased investment into digital solutions, along with the aim of computerising more of the business. He also wants to put a focus on developing both current and future technicians at the laboratory, with continual improvement in

quality and consistency. Also planned are CPD seminars for dentist covering prosthetics, crown and bridge,

metal-free restorations, CAD/CAM, digital dentistry and clinical procedures. Since joining Bremadent, Kash has progressed through the business, managing other apprentices in only his second year at the laboratory, and managing the prosthetics department since 2010. He started his two-and-a-half-year course in clinical dental technology at Preston UCLAN in 2012, while still working full time and learning the business side of the laboratory.

See www.bremadent.co.uk for more information.



Steger comes to your town

Enrico Steger, founder of Zirkonzahn, recently visited London on his latest lecture tour. In front of an audience of approximately 30 technicians and dentists he discussed new concepts, new materials and the latest developments in dental technology. He informed about complex approaches for implant cases and showed the nearly unlimited possibilities that CAD/CAM technology and the broad material variety offers for the manufacturing of individual and natural looking dentures. In this context he also presented the new software module for the virtual planning of full dentures which aims to simplify the previously complex and time-consuming process of manually manufacturing full dentures.

Mr Steger outlined the importance of a good CAD software which allows dental

technicians to further expand the potential of their own dental laboratory. Since the software represents one of the most important components of the digital processes, it plays a key role in the planning and execution of a dental technician's job.

Daniel Kühbacher – Zirkonzahn software engineer and Steger's co-speaker - provided a detailed description of the newly released Zirkonzahn software upgrade 2015 with its wide range of new tools: the predefined dental morphologies with Cut-Back designs which can be inserted automatically, the threaded screw channels, the completely new nesting software as well as the integrated failsafe option, just to name a few.

The participants showed great interest in the presented products and enjoyed having the possibility to have an exchange of ideas



with one of Europe's most famous dental technicians. Among the presented products was also the M1 Wet Heavy Metal, one of the several models of the Compact Line M1 Milling Unit which allows milling in all conceivable planes - even undercuts and diverging abutments can be processed in a simple and fast way. It offers complete versatility with both wet and dry processing functions for all soft materials and glass ceramics as well as hard materials including titanium and chrome-cobalt.



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