There is nothing more rewarding than treating a Class III (especially if it really isn’t a Class III). Here is a look at one such case that I had the benefit of completing.

**Diagnosis**
A 16-year-old male patient presented with a retained lower left primary cuspid, mandibular spacing, maxillary square archform, and a protrusive habitual bite with condyles forward of CR.

**Treatment objectives**
- Round maxillary archform
- Advance and procline maxillary incisors
- Remove retained lower primary cuspid
- Retract and reduce inclination lower incisors

**Treatment plan**
- Full fixed orthodontic appliances (Dentaurum Discovery Smart .022 Roth)
- Extraction of mandibular left primary cuspid
- Maximum anchorage with Dentaurum tomas TADs
- Class III elastics
- Stopped NiTi to advance and procline maxillary incisors

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Results

Patient was excited to see the advancement of his incisors and was extremely compliant once he saw the finish line. Regardless of the financial success of your orthodontic practice, cases like these are the real “payday,” knowing that a patient can achieve the esthetic outcome he or she knows is waiting inside! “I feel like myself for once,” is the best compliment a doc can hear.

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