**Thermoforming Machines**

**Henry Schein Dental: Vacuum-Forming Machine**

Henry Schein Dental’s vacuum-forming machine is designed for better heat dispersion, with a slotted rear post for perfect location over model. It comes with a precision vacuum adapter and five-year warranty. (Received 26 percent of votes in this category.)

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**Office Equipment**

**Stools**

**Boyd Industries: BOS-279**

Boyd’s doctor and assistant seating is designed with the same ergonomics and comfort to complement the patient chairs. The BOS-279 features a saddle seat, an adjustable back with floating lumbar support, an adjustable seat angle and pneumatic height adjustment. The doctor stool height ranges from 17 to 22 inches; the assistant stool from 20 to 28 inches. (Received 31 percent of votes in this category.)

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**Orthodontics**

**Accelerated Treatment Technology**

**OrthoAccel Technologies: Acceledent**

AcceleDent, the affordable, FDA-cleared Class II medical device, employs patented SoftPulse Technology clinically proven to accelerate tooth movement up to 50 percent and to reduce pain and discomfort from treatment up to 71 percent, based on clinical trials. Visit acceledent.com to hear how doctors are seeing improved predictability in their clinical outcomes using AcceleDent. (Received 18 percent of votes in this category.)

**Archwires**

**American Orthodontics**

American Orthodontics’ wire portfolio gives a wide range of options to best fulfill treatment goals. Tanzo Premium Heat Activated Wire delivers consistent unloading forces, allows longer duration between wire changes and resists permanent deformation. (Received 23 percent of votes in this category.)
Bands

3M Oral Care: 3M Unitek Molar Bands

3M Oral Care offers a range of molar bands for first and second molars, bicuspids, general purpose and pedodontic use. Depending on the band, features include permanent laser IDs, straight interproximal walls for reduced separation, microetched inner surfaces, regular and hard tempers, trimmed lingual options, narrow contours and available pre-weld. (Received 29 percent of votes in this category.)

Bondable Buccal Tubes

American Orthodontics

The ifit tube is American Orthodontics’ most advanced direct bond buccal tube, delivering the ultimate combination of functionality, convenience and patient comfort. Every detail of ifit’s low-profile design has been considered, making it more comfortable for patients and more accurate for doctors. (Received 38 percent of votes in this category.)

Bonding and Accessories: Adhesives

Reliance Orthodontic Products: Ultra Band Lok

Patented and introduced in 1995 in both tooth and blue shades, Ultra Band Lok (UBL) is a leading light-cure band cement in the orthodontic field. UBL features a proprietary monomer that bonds chemically to metal, reducing tooth cleanup upon deband because most of the composite stays bonded to the bands. Formulated with similar Barcol hardness as enamel, UBL is a popular choice for occlusal buildups and anterior bite ramps, eliminating occlusion abrasion seen with more filled alternatives. Clinicians will frequently use UBL to cement bonded acrylic appliances, because the medium-body consistency allows for easy appliance seating. (Received 28 percent of votes in this category.)

Bonding and Accessories: Brushes

Reliance Orthodontic Products: Bend-a-Brush

Bend-a-Brush is a bristle-style brush for applying all types of bonding resins, etchants, primers and sealants. The brush is available in two designs: a brush-tip applicator that fits a brush handle, or a 2-inch applicator. The soft bristle design allows clinicians to apply a gentle, thin layer, reducing the instance of enamel rod fracture. In addition, the bristle design will fan out to produce an even, consistent layer to help eliminate the production of inconsistent resin levels across the tooth surface. (Received 37 percent of votes in this category.)

Bonding and Accessories: Self-Etching Primer

3M Oral Care: 3M Transbond Plus Self-Etching Primer

Easy-to-use Transbond Plus Self-Etching Primer etches and primes enamel in one step. A single-patient-use foil pack contains premeasured etchant and light-cure primer that are applied together using a disposable applicator included with each pack. Works in both moist and dry environments. Use with light-cure adhesives. (Received 53 percent of votes in this category.)
Bonding and Accessories: Traditional Primer

Reliance Orthodontic Products: Assure Plus All Surface Bonding Resin

Assure Plus is the newest technology in artificial surface preparation. Assure Plus allows clinicians to successfully bond to gold, amalgam, stainless steel, composite, acrylic temporaries, lithium disilicate, porcelain and zirconia—all in one bottle. It also successfully bonds to wet or dry normal or atypical enamel. The ability to reduce variables, seen or unseen, makes it a smart choice in any bonding situation. Available in a 6ml squeeze bottle or single-dose caplets. (Received 50 percent of votes in this category.)

Brackets: Aesthetic

3M Oral Care: 3M Clarity Advanced Ceramic Brackets

Clarity Advanced Ceramic Brackets are an all-around aesthetic solution for today’s patients. Small, comfortable and strong, they feature a proprietary stress concentrator on the base for predictable debonding. Designed for use on both upper and lower arch in a variety of prescriptions. Available APC Flash-Free Adhesive eliminates flash removal from bonding. (Received 38 percent of votes in this category.)

Brackets: Lingual

3M Oral Care: 3M Incognito Appliance System Brackets

The aesthetic Incognito Appliance System features fully customized lingual brackets, archwires and bonding trays for predictable and efficient treatment outcomes, while meeting patient demand for invisible treatment. Available in full arch and “lite” configurations, the most recent offering of AlastIK Lingual Ligatures makes ligation easy because of its innovative design. (Received 8 percent of votes in this category.)

Brackets: Self-Ligating

American Orthodontics: Empower 2

Empower 2 self-ligating brackets deliver the performance orthodontists need with features that enhance the bracket’s strength and dependability. The Empower family includes bracket and system options that allow users to treat patients their own way. This includes a fully interactive system, fully passive system or combination Dual Activation system. (Received 21 percent of votes in this category.)

Brackets: Traditional

3M Oral Care: 3M Victory Series Brackets

3M Oral Care offers a wide range of brackets worldwide. Time-tested Victory Series Low Profile Brackets are uncompromising in ligation and control, and feature a contoured microetched base. Ample under-tie-wing area permits double ligation if needed. Available with 3M-exclusive APC Flash-Free Adhesive, eliminating the flash removal step from bonding. (Received 27 percent of votes in this category.)
**Buttons**

**American Orthodontics**

American Orthodontics’ durable lingual buttons are available in weldable and bondable and either flat or curved. A ceramic bondable button is also available.

(Received 24 percent of votes in this category.)

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**Cheek Retractors**

**Great Lakes Orthodontics: NOLA Dry Field System**

Great Lakes NOLA Dry Field System completely eliminates saliva and fully exposes both dental arches, making it ideal for all bonding and bleaching applications. The system is easy to assemble and can be inserted and used by a single operator. NOLA reduces chair time and is fully autoclavable. For more information, visit greatlakesortho.com.

(Received 29 percent of votes in this category.)

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**Clear Aligner Systems**

**Align Technology: Invisalign**

Invisalign is used to straighten teeth with a series of custom-made aligners created for each patient. The Invisalign system is a combination of proprietary virtual treatment-modeling software and removable aligners based on rapid manufacturing processes and mass customization. For more information, visit invisalign.com.

(Received 82 percent of votes in this category.)

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**Coil Springs**

**American Orthodontics**

American Orthodontics closed and open coil springs are made of .010 diameter superelastic wire. Open-coil springs easily slide over any size archwire, and closed-coil springs feature eyelets to allow for easy engagement to bracket hooks, tube hooks or posted archwire hooks.

(Received 27 percent of votes in this category.)

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**Class II Correction**

**3M Oral Care: 3M Forsus Class II Correctors**

A patient-friendly aesthetic alternative to headgear, 3M’s Forsus Fatigue Resistant Device is a compliance-free, out-of-the-box solution, with no lab work or extra appointments required. The Forsus Wire Mount permits appliance installation, even midtreatment, without the use of molar bands. Used in treatment by more than 1 million patients.

(Received 44 percent of votes in this category.)
Orthodontics

Elastic Chain (Power Chain)
American Orthodontics: Memory Chain
American Orthodontics’ Memory Chain provides a lighter, longer-lasting force in closed, short and long filaments. It has thinner facial-lingual dimension and is an excellent match for double-tying wire ligatures on either Mini Master Series brackets or Low Profile Series brackets. (Received 25 percent of votes in this category.)

Elastics
American Orthodontics: Wildlife Series Elastomerics
American Orthodontics’ Wildlife Series Elastomerics are created with a proprietary manufacturing technique resulting in industry-leading quality and dependability. With several sizes and force levels to choose from, the Wildlife Series delivers consistent pulling forces for reliable results. (Received 30 percent of votes in this category.)

Impression Materials and Accessories: Alginites
Lascod: Kromopan
Kromopan makes taking impressions simple with the introduction of the color-changing indicator. It is adaptable to different techniques and has diverse clinical case requirements. With a high degree of elasticity and accuracy, Kromopan offers enough working time as well as the shortest time-in-mouth. (Received 34 percent of votes in this category.)

Impression Materials and Accessories: Bite Registration
Parkell: Blu-Mousse
A premium, highly accurate occlusal registration material, Blu-Mousse is fluffy, like whipped cream, with no taste or warmth that might trigger proprioceptive reflexes. Its 85-durometer and 30-second or two-minute set times make it ideal for a variety of uses beyond traditional impression taking. (Received 16 percent of votes in this category.)

Impression Materials and Accessories: Polyvinyl Siloxane
Dentsply Sirona Restorative: Aquasil Ultra+
Aquasil Ultra+ Smart Wetting Impression Material, a completely redesigned VPS final impression material, addresses critical clinical performance areas. Market-leading intraoral hydrophilicity and tear strength complement speed and delivery to help clinicians avoid trapping fluid and ensure detail remains intact. For more information, visit aquasilultraplus.com or call 800-532-2855. (Received 10 percent of votes in this category.)
Impression Materials and Accessories:
Disposable Trays—Full Arch

**Henry Schein Dental: Disposable Impression Trays**

Henry Schein’s disposable impression trays are rigid, distortion-free, preshaped, and readily trimmed or flame softened for adjustments. The ergonomically designed handle minimizes interference while seating the tray in the mouth. Their rigid structure minimizes distorted impressions. (Received 10 percent of votes in this category.)

**Ortho Technology: DuraLock**

DuraLock Plus Impression Trays’ patented design eliminates the need for tray adhesive. Vertical beveled slots create a mushroom effect, locking in impression material. Additional features include extended handles, occlusal bite stops, and six tray sizes that are numbered/color-coded for easy selection. For more information, visit orthotechnology.com. (Received 10 percent of votes in this category.)

Laboratory—Orthodontic

**AOA Laboratory**

AOA’s latest releases, Prezurv and Memotain, show the company’s commitment to innovation and understanding market trends. These appliances, along with all of AOA’s services, are supported by its strong reputation for providing first-class customer support and overall high product quality. (Received 21 percent of votes in this category.)

Ligature Ties and Wires

**American Orthodontics: AO Colored Ligatures**

American Orthodontics’ Colored Ligatures are latex-free and doughnut-shaped to allow easier application and more consistent force over longer periods of time. They are stain resistant with high color stability and available in 29 colors. (Received 25 percent of votes in this category.)

**Brasseler USA: ET Flex**

The patented, safe and flexible design of the ET Flex is highly adaptable to meet all interproximal finishing and contouring needs. The narrow strips feature a non-diamond coated Gateway allowing safe passage through contact areas for superior interproximal finishing of composite restorations and cement cleanup in the cervical area. (Received 23 percent of votes in this category.)
Orthodontic Hand Instruments
Hu-Friedy
Hu-Friedy orthodontic instruments are forged from the highest-quality stainless steel, with an optimal blend of chromium and carbon. These elements ensure the creation of an outstanding instrument that will be resistant to corrosion, given proper use and care. Each instrument is finished by hand to a satin luster; this nonglare surface keeps instruments looking beautiful. (Received 44 percent of votes in this category.)

Temporary Anchorage Device
Ormco: VectorTAS
Designed by orthodontists, VectorTAS is a coordinated system of miniscrews, attachments and instruments that provides clinicians with all the benefits of temporary anchorage without compensating for the inadvertent reciprocal movement of adjacent teeth. Benefits include increased control, reduced treatment time and greater patient comfort. (Received 27 percent of votes in this category.)

Orthodontic Marketing
Sesame Communications
The internet is the Yellow Pages of the 21st century, and the competition for new patients is fierce. Sesame provides state-of-the-art digital marketing and patient engagement that addresses every area of marketing and helps drive more new patients to orthodontic practices, while fostering a loyal patient community that refers friends and family. (Received 18 percent of votes in this category.)

Bank of America Practice Solutions
Equipment and Practice Finance
Bank of America Practice Solutions
For more than 20 years, Bank of America Practice Solutions has served the needs of orthodontists by offering financial products and services to the orthodontic community. Whether orthodontists own a practice or are just getting started, Bank of America Practice Solutions can provide customized financial solutions to fit their needs. (Received 16 percent of votes in this category.)

Message On-Hold Systems
West: TeleVox On-Hold Messaging
A captive audience is a valuable opportunity. TeleVox's on-hold messaging system provides on-hold messages and music for existing telephone systems. Features of the service include professional scriptwriting, high-quality recording and ease of use. Visit televox.com for more information. (Received 20 percent of votes in this category.)