

# PRODUCT NEWS

## Chewing Gum and Mints

Heraeus Kulzer has added V-Smile Xylitol Chewing Gum and Mints to its Venus White family of whitening and oral-care products. The breath-freshening peppermint-flavored, sugar-free products are sweetened only with xylitol, a natural product that may reduce the risk of tooth decay, according to the company. Bottles of 180 mints or 50 pieces of gum are available.



For more information, contact Heraeus Kulzer, 300 Heraeus Way, South Bend, IN 46614. (800) 431-1752; [www.heraeus-dental-us.com](http://www.heraeus-dental-us.com).

## Dental Mold

Mold-A-Lateral is a specialized Mini Mold tip that adapts a peg-shaped or undersize upper lateral-incisor crown into a temporarily full-size tooth in as little as five minutes, according to the manufacturer. The reusable mold forms come in 7mm and 8mm widths for both right and left lateral incisors. Four- and eight-piece kits with application handles are available.



For information, contact Ortho Technology, Inc., 17401 Commerce Park Blvd., Tampa, FL 33647. (800) 999-3161; [www.orthotechnology.com](http://www.orthotechnology.com) or [www.minimoldtechnique.com](http://www.minimoldtechnique.com).

## Patient Compliance App

Mighty Brace is an iOS-compatible app and Internet portal designed to educate, motivate, and entertain young patients through interactive videos, games, and opportunities for rewards through competition with other patients in a practice. The kid-friendly app provides animated instructions on proper oral hygiene and diet during orthodontic treatment. The system's Internet component allows the practice to send reminders and other messages to patients through notifications, so that no e-mail addresses or mobile phone numbers are collected.



For additional information, contact Mighty Brace, LLC, 5718 Balcones Drive, Austin, TX 78731. Fax: (512) 458-5535; [www.mightybrace.com](http://www.mightybrace.com).

## Esthetic Bracket

Machined from a pure monocrystalline material, the non-allergenic NeoCrystal Sapphire Ceramic Brackets are annealed for strength and heat-polished to eliminate microscopic flaws, according to the manufacturer. The brackets, designed to have excellent stain resistance and to be virtually invisible throughout treatment, feature Ortho Organizers' proprietary Crunch COAT bases with anatomically contoured base radii. NeoCrystal brackets are compatible with the company's Maestro and NeoLucent Plus bracket systems.



For more information, contact Ortho Organizers, 1922 Aston Ave., Carlsbad, CA 92008. (800) 547-2000; [www.orthoorganizers.com](http://www.orthoorganizers.com).

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