

IMS STORIES

IT'S MORE THAN 30 YEARS OLD, BUT IT DOESN'T SHOW IT

Doctors from all over the world benefit every day from using Hu-Friedy's Instrument Management System.

Here are some of their personal experiences and advice on the best time to implement the IMS system within a practice.



Dr. Guillaume Gardon-Mollard
(France)

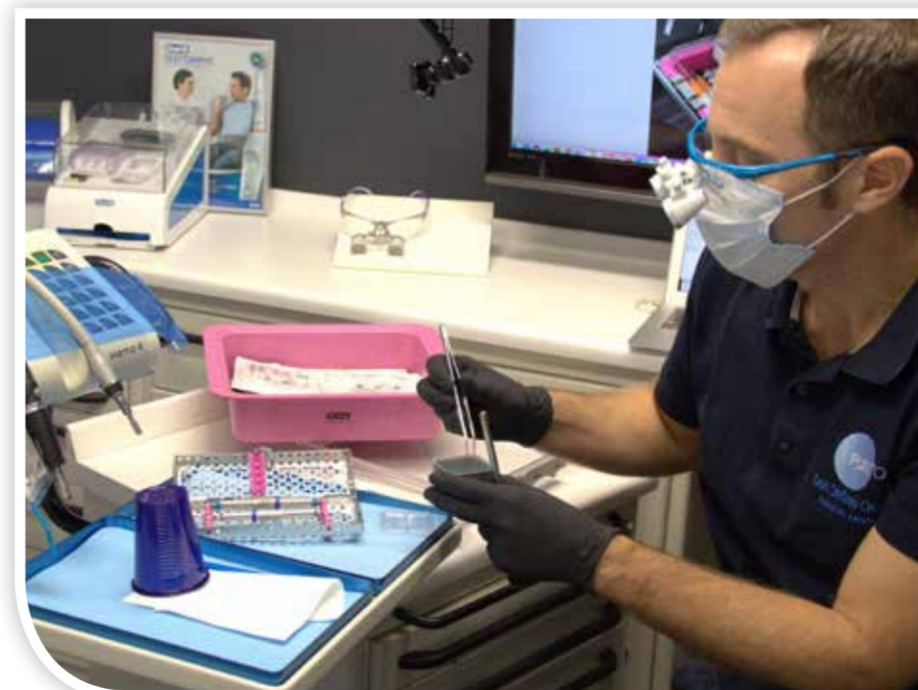
WORK WELL AND EFFICIENTLY WITH THE INSTRUMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM BY HU-FRIEDY

"I was first interested in implementing the IMS System by Hu-Friedy because all my colleagues recommended it." - says Dr. Guillaume Gardon-Mollard, from Tours, France. "Of course, the implementation requires a small initial effort since it needs to be carefully planned with all the materials needed for its realization, but

Hu-Friedy supported me throughout the entire process and with the follow-up as well."

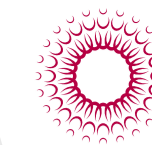
Dr. Gardon-Mollard explains how Hu-Friedy Instrument Management System has completely changed and improved the workflow in his dental practice and how, since when he implemented it, he can't work without standardized protocols anymore. Even his assistants have noticed the increased efficiency and improved safety that the IMS solution involves. *"With the IMS solution there's no need to rush looking for a spare instrument in the drawers because everything is at hand in cassettes in which the instruments don't touch with each other thanks to the silicone rails and this allows cleaning, disinfection and the sterilization of instruments at an optimal level!" - says Marion, assistant of the clinic. "Moreover, the risk of sharp injuries or that the instruments perforate the sterilization pouches is much reduced by using the cassettes".* According to Dr. Gardon-Mollard, once the trays and the cassettes are set-up, it takes only a few days to appreciate the incredible comfort that the IMS solution provides. ■

“There's no need to open and close the drawers dozens of time per day anymore. It's impossible now to do my job at best without the IMS solution!”



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IMS Tubs and Cassettes, the perfect match

MEET THE HYGIENIST with Stefano Checchi

Founded in 2015 by doctors Silvia Fasoglio and Stefano Checchi, IL PUNTO is a Professional Dental Hygiene and Prevention clinic in the heart of Turin, Italy. The primary objective of the clinic is taking care of the patients by offering excellent performances in order to support them through courses of education and motivation for oral health and to pursue the most ambitious goal: dental prevention. In order to achieve their dream, Silvia and Stefano chose the best solution for their practice.

"We chose to work with Hu-Friedy and implement the Instrument Management System in the first place because this solution allows us to be more efficient and organized" - says Stefano. "Most of all, we wanted to pay more attention to our patients, other than being focused on the clinical procedure itself, so we needed to do something revolutionary for our clinic".

The two doctors decided to start with the implementation of Hu-Friedy cassettes, already set-up with the instruments they chose for every single procedure in advance, codified by the color rail system that ensure the instruments don't touch each other and are securely held in the cassette. Later on, Silvia and Stefano found very useful to upgrade the system by using Hu-Friedy Tubs.

"Since the beginning we found the IMS system very useful for us because we put the instruments inside the cassette and then all the consumables inside the correspondent tub, matched with the same color, and this is a unique solution" - says Silvia. "This gives us the opportunity to work in a more practical and efficient manner".

"The tub is simply fantastic, it's a way to store all the consumables at once" - affirms Stefano. "The system is very simple, you open the cover of the tub and you have everything you need for the procedure at hand. You don't need to always look for a component in the drawers and waste a lot of useful time".

The doctors prefer working with tubs not only for better organization of the work, but also for the prevention of the proliferation of bacteria inside them, in fact an antimicrobial protection is integrated into the material that the tub is composed of. In the last years, Silvia and Stefano noticed that during a daywork they need to evaluate and analyze many different treatments they normally perform in the dental office. For this reason, they adopted an even more organized system of tubs and cassettes.

"The next step was to differentiate all the procedures, from the most advanced periodontal therapies, to the esthetics treatments with the application of jewelry on the teeth, all by identifying them with the matched colors of tubs and cassettes" - says Stefano.



“Since we don't have dental assistants, time and organization are everything for us and with the combination of tubs and cassettes we really have everything we need.”



“Thanks to the IMS solution, we are able to guarantee a high standard of hygiene and safety for our patients by significantly reducing the risk of cross-infections”

Dr. Carlo Poggio (Italy) WHY STILL USING THE IMS SOLUTION AFTER 20 YEARS?

Dr. Carlo Poggio, an Italian prosthodontist whose 20-year clinic is located in the heart of Milan with a splendid view over Duomo cathedral, ensures a high quality of his dental performances thanks to a multidisciplinary dental approach towards patients with complex dental complications. He decided to implement the IMS solution by Hu-Friedy in early 2000s and still benefits from this system.

"At that time the sterilization area wasn't located in the center of the clinic yet, and the assistants wasted a lot of time opening the drawers looking for the right tool for every single procedure" - says Dr. Poggio - "As soon as we implemented the IMS system by Hu-Friedy, the results were immediately tangible: more organization between one procedure and another, more efficiency in the clinic, considerable time saving and improved safety and infection control for both clinicians and patients".

In Studio Poggio, what is most appreciated by the patients is the attention for the cleaning and sterilization procedures, as well as the presentation at the chairside of Hu-Friedy cassettes still packed, sterilized, organized and set-up by procedure.

The dental assistants of the clinic with different levels of experience, thanks to specific trainings about the importance of infection control and the use of the IMS System, are able to embrace this concept with ease and above all, by using standardized protocols, they are aware of doing their job in a professional manner, guaranteeing the efficiency of Studio Poggio. ■



Dr. Oliver Schäfer (Germany) THE IMPORTANCE OF ORGANIZATION IN A DENTAL CLINIC: THE INSTRUMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM BY HU-FRIEDY

"I have been running this clinic with my brother Attila for 28 years now" - says Dr. Oliver Schäfer - "a very long time in which we refurbished it more than once, in order to be constantly updated with the new technologies". Doctors who were working in the clinic started to notice that every time they had to change the consulting room for a reason, they were not instantly prepared with the needed equipment in the other room and this was a waste of time for everybody. For this reason, they decided to implement the Instrument Management System by Hu-Friedy.

"In order to do the best implementation for us, we listed all the instruments and materials that we actually use for each treatment" - affirmed Dr. Attila Schäfer. "We decided than to sort out everything that we have not used for a long time."

Since Drs. Schäfer implemented the Infinity Cassettes by Hu-Friedy, the workflow of the clinic is finally organized and efficient as the doctors wished. *"With the Infinity Cassettes by Hu-Friedy, finally everything is at hand" - say the doctors - "and now it doesn't matter in which room of the clinic we treat our patients as long as we have the cassettes set-up. We no longer waste time looking for an instrument in the drawers or even the consumables: with the IMS Tubs by Hu-Friedy, we collect everything necessary for a certain procedure and we easily identify the different set-ups thanks to the colour coding of both cassettes and tubs. Since all the consumables are recorded in the tubs, inventory stocking and subsequent reordering have also been simplified."* ■

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