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"One of the key factors in endodontics is instrument I can trust. It is crucial to be confident in instrument when facing challenges that the root canal anatomy might bring. Maillefer, worldwide leader in manufacturing tools for endodontics and synonym for dental instruments quality and reliability, has been my partner and guarantee for success for more than fifteen years. Unique design and working performances of Maillefer mechanical instruments in the first place, have been guaranteeing me necessary confidence. ProTaper Next and WaveOne Gold are my irreplaceable partners. After years of using them, their performances still find a way to surprise and amaze me. Materials, quality of manufacturing and multifunctionality are great support even during the most complicated procedures. Endodontic procedures could often reveal unpredictable root canals. Treatment outcome depends significantly upon the efficiency and adaptability of manual instruments while achieving glide path during accessing phase. Maillefer instruments design is adapted to every step of endodontic treatment, making them a true ally in achieving positive results and having satisfied patients.

My professional development and reliance on these instruments are complemented by specialized training sessions in the Maillefer headquarters, where I learned about state of the art in endodontic technology and development tendencies. Also, those were the occasions to meet colleagues and share dedication towards our scientific discipline and practice. Today, as Head of Restorative Odontology and Endodontics Department and associate professor at University of Belgrade, School of Dental Medicine, I have numerous responsibilities. I lead reputable institution that I aim to advance daily, while I also lead learning experience of the students whose future depends on knowledge and dedication that comes from my side. In both cases, excellence is imperative! Nowadays, standard method in our discipline is mechanical preparation of root canals. As educator, I believe that students have to adopt this technique's highest standards from the first steps in endodontics. Dentsply Sirona company provided access to high-end technology in the mechanical preparation of root canals to School of Dental Medicine. Working with instruments that prove to be superior in clinical practice daily will contribute to the students self-confidence, which is determining factor in young dentists advancement. With this project, Dentsply Sirona ensures professional environment at our university, contributes to maintaining excellent dental practice and shaping future experts. Project is result of my successful partnership with Dentsply Sirona team, whose professionalism and social responsibility commits to development of dentistry in the entire region."