For dentists, the new SIDEXIS 4 x-ray software is perfectly intuitive

2015 is the year of the IDS. For dentists and their teams, that means exploring the latest developments in dentistry. But before an innovation finds its way into the exhibition halls in Cologne, it is put through its paces. As a Sirona "Early Access" customer, Dr. Ulrich Fürst from Attnang-Puchheim in Austria was able to use the new SIDEXIS 4 x-ray software before the IDS event. He has been using the program since November of last year — and already can't do without it.

"The switch to SIDEXIS 4 was a quantum leap. It feels like switching from MS-DOS to Windows", raves the specialist in oral surgery with an emphasis on implantology. Dr. Fürst especially praises the intuitive interface of the new software. He and his two colleagues had previously used the Romexis software suite from Planmeca. Dr. Fürst wanted to benefit specifically from the integrated workflows that Sirona offers for implantology, among other things. He has been working with the CEREC CAD/CAM system from Sirona for some time. A prosthetic proposal generated in the system can be combined in the SIDEXIS 4 GALILEOS Implant extension with a 3D x-ray scan from the Sirona ORTHOPHOS XG 3D x-ray unit to perfectly align the implant in the jaw in terms of prosthetics and esthetics and to order a surgical guide from SICAT for guided implantology.

"The units and software are all very well coordinated. Thanks to the clearly arranged look-and-feel and uniform operating logic, you quickly find your way around for a very smooth and efficient workflow," explains Dr. Fürst about his decision to switch.

Steep learning curve and efficient workflow

Software training by Dental Depot helped the team of dentists and ten assistants to quickly learn the conventional 2D applications.

Dr. Ulrich Fürst, one of the first dentists to use SIDEXIS 4 in daily practice routine, already can't do without the new x-ray software.

"Instruction manuals are not my thing and I want to get right to it," says the dentist. That the SIDEXIS 4 user guidance is intuitive suited him very well — Dr. Fürst compares it with today's standards for the tablet PC. After four weeks, the team completed the second part of the training, dealing with the 3D x-rays. SIDEXIS 4 supports DVT scans just like intra-oral and panoramic radiography. Something so simple is a decisive advantage for dentists in using the new software: Data records of different origin can

SIDEXIS 4 integrates all visual data of the patient: 2D panorama, 3D and intraoral images are available at a glance.

now be viewed and processed at the same time side by side. As a result, the diagnosis process is simplified and the practitioner has a better overview of the course of treatment.

For the dentist, assistant training is an important contribution to an efficient workflow because they take the x-ray images and are the contact for the patient. "I've noticed that the patients are more willing to talk with the assistants about things they might not dare ask me. For that reason, it's all the more important for them to be around to answer patient questions," claims Dr. Fürst.

Improved diagnostic system

One of his highlights in the new x-ray software is the zoom function, which allows him to zoom in on the image section where the cursor is. That makes it easier for him to diagnose, for example, proximal caries. "With other software products, I was also able to zoom in on a specific section using a magnifying glass, but it was only a small area. I had to enlarge the neighboring section separately, but then no longer had the transition in sight," explains Dr. Fürst. Overall, he is able to work more interactively with the images in SIDEXIS 4. He has been able to eliminate optical impressions in the root canal because he can measure this in the software directly due to its accuracy.

"I save my patients a scan," delights Dr. Fürst, who in accordance with the laws and in the interest of his patients pays particular attention that the radiation dose is no higher than necessary.

Higher profitability

Thanks to the multiplicity of such fine differences, Dr. Fürst can make his workflow more efficient, ultimately increasing the profitability of his practice.

Working life made easy

"The only drawback is that SIDEXIS 4 is only now available," says Dr. Fürst with a grin and very satisfied with the software. "I really like to use the program because working with it makes my life easier – and it's just fun." In his opinion, even older colleagues would find it easy to use due to its simple user guidance and he is happy to recommend it. ‹

Effortless diagnostics: The new SIDEXIS 4 x-ray software is workflow-oriented, allowing dentists and specialists to work efficiently.

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