

2016 CLINICAL PROBLEM SOLVER

Pro-MatrixMedicom

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CLINICAL PROBLEM: When removing an old amalgam due to recurrent decay we will often discover significant damage to the underlying tooth. After removing all of the decayed portion of the tooth, there will not be much left for a matrix band to grab on to. Bleeding and fluid contamination are also challenges to overcome in placing a new restoration. A matrix that requires minimal adjustment is helpful.

SOLUTION: Pro-Matrix bands are able to grab and hold on to teeth with limited support. They even hold well on to teeth that have significant taper in their prep design. **Pro-Matrix** does a good job of creating an adequate seal at the cervical portion of the tooth, which helps keep the prep clean and dry for easy placement of any material that may be needed. The convenience of a disposable matrix and band which has been set up in advance makes the **Pro-Matrix** an excellent choice for handling this challenging situation.