



It can be overwhelming to choose from the plethora of products on the market. The JDT WOW! list strives to identify the products and services that keep life in the lab simple, efficient and smart. What defines a WOW! product or service? It should save time, money and increase quality, help technicians to achieve extraordinary success, and overall, just WOW the user. The 2018 WOW! judging panel reviewed and researched almost one hundred nominations and the top-ranked products are listed in alphabetical order.



**WOW! nominations are reviewed and ranked by a panel of highly-qualified lab owners and technicians. The rankings are averaged to come up with a final score and then the top five are chosen. JDT would like to thank the following panelists for giving their time and effort to determine this year's list.**



## 1. Ira N. Dickerman, CDT, TE, AAS

*Co-Owner Dickerman Dental Prosthetics, CDL, Sharon, Mass.*

In high school Ira worked in his dad's crown and bridge dental laboratory. After graduating he attended Middlesex Community College and earned an associate's degree in dental laboratory technology in their first graduating class. In 1984 he had the opportunity to fabricate the first Branemark Hybrid Prosthesis for a patient in New England and he became a CDT in 1991. Ira has lectured, consulted and trained for several large dental implant companies. He and his son Brandon lecture together teaching dentists and dental technicians the art and science of full arch immediate load implant prosthetics. In 2009 he received the NADL Excellence in Education Award.



## 2. Steven Pigliacelli, MDT, CDT

*Owner, Vice President and Director of Education, Marotta Dental Studio, Inc., CDL, Farmingdale, N.Y.*

Steven has more than 30 years' experience with Marotta Dental Studio as manager, dental implant specialist and technical liaison between the dentist and the laboratory. He directs the GPR and Prosthetic Resident Rotation, an intensive educational program that focuses on dental technology and the value of the technician/dentist relationship. Steven is also a faculty instructor in post-graduate prosthodontics at New York University, College of Dentistry, Department of Prosthodontics and founder and president of the Association of Innovative Dentistry. In 2015 he was awarded Dental Technician of the Year by the American College of Prosthodontists and has been published in numerous journals and lectures nationally.



## 3. Jamie Stover, CDT

*Chief Operations Officer Ziemek Laboratories, DAMAS, Olympia, Wash.*

Jamie utilizes over 19 years of experience at the bench as a dental lab technician to manage and oversee all daily operations at Ziemek Laboratories. Jamie has written dozens of articles for national dental publications and he lectures regularly on a myriad of topics for dental professionals. Jamie is a member of the Dental Technician Alliance of the American College of Prosthodontists, a member of the Straumann Speaker Bureau, he is on the team of professional contributors at Dentalcompare.com, is an Align Dental XP Lecturer, and is a Special Section Editor at Inside Dental Assisting.



## 4. Kristine Van Cleve

*President/co-owner Dental Prosthetic Services, Inc., CDL, Cedar Rapids, Iowa*

After attending Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, Kris returned to the dental laboratory environment that she had grown up in. In 1994, she purchased Dental Prosthetic Services Inc, a full service laboratory founded by her parents Paul and EJane Jones. In the 20+ years she has served as President and co-owner, Kris has more than doubled the number of employees and positioned the laboratory as a leader in digital dentistry and rapid manufacturing. Passion for customer service, processes and emerging technology has made her endeavors possible along with a focus on adapting and applying agile manufacturing practices. Born and raised in Cedar Rapids, Kris maintains a strong commitment to Iowa-based manufacturing and supporting local business.

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# MiYO® Esthetic System



## What does the product/service do?

MiYO offers a completely new approach to esthetics. The patent pending MiYO® Esthetic System from Jensen Dental gives technicians the ability to easily create esthetic restorations that rival natural teeth in an ultra-thin layer. MiYO currently works with all zirconia and lithium disilicate materials and is easy to integrate into any lab workflow as a/an:

- Replacement for Existing Stain and Glaze Process: simple and easy way to match shades and get the depth and translucency needed on monolithic or cutback crowns — all in one firing
- Correction Material: quick and easy way to change a shade, raise or lower the brightness of crowns (while adding translucency) or add contacts to reduce remakes
- Alternative to Costly Hand Layered Ceramics: efficient way to create highly characterized restorations that rival esthetics typically only seen with hand-layered restorations in unprecedented thicknesses of 0.1mm-0.2mm

Jensen currently offers two MiYO® Esthetic System kits:

- MiYO® Esthetic System for Teeth
- MiYO® Pink Esthetic Gingival System for Tissue

## How does it save time and money?

- Reducing the number of steps it takes to color, glaze or layer restorations
- Reducing remakes, through the ability to raise or lower the value of a restoration



Before

After

## What is the WOW! factor?

- Achieve stunning results with no cutback or modification to crowns
- Match the shade guide and get a beautiful glazed finish in one application and firing
- What you see is what you get. Colors and effects are the same before and after firing
- Alter shades up and down while adding translucency
- Raise (or lower) value while adding translucency
- MiYO Colors float on top of one another and do not blend together in the wet stage
- Create shape and fine surface detail in the wet stage with MiYO Structure with no changes after firing

## What is your customer feedback?

"MiYO® is easy to use and the results I have been able to achieve with little "practice" are phenomenal. Great product. Great support. It's a winner!"

—*Excalibur Dental Lab*

"Because traditional stains and glaze cannot achieve depth and translucency we now use MiYO on every posterior monolithic crown...MiYO achieves that and more... all in one firing!"

—*Ottawa Dental Laboratory*

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**! MiYO produces natural and vital esthetics quickly and easily in an ultra-thin layer.**



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