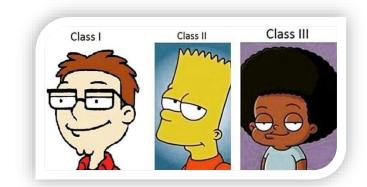






MYOBRACE





BETTER FACES LESS BRACES



Myofunctional Research Co.

Myobrace[®]

is a global brand established by parent company Myofunctional Research Co. (MRC) in 1989 which specialises in the development of intra-oral appliances systems that are designed to treat the underlying causes of crooked teeth, poor jaw growth and sleep-related breathing disorders.

FOUNDER & CEO

Dr Chris Farrell BDS sydney university, Australia

• Dr. Farrell graduated from Sydney University in 1971.

• Since that time he has been a clinician in private practice in Australia and England.

• Was not comfortable with the excessive extraction of teeth required by the orthodontists at the time.

• Received much education from Dr. John Mew (UK) and Dr. Harold Gelb USA. Greatly influenced by Garliner, Prof. Hinz and Prof. Frankel – All of whom were looking beyond the teeth and onto faces, muscles and posture.

• Observation and extensive study of research over the years showed that extraction of teeth did not resolve orthodontic crowding and craniofacial discrepancies.

• He realised that newer techniques had to be developed to treat these many patients more effectively.

• Now practices treating children and adults for Orthodontics and TMJ exclusively.

• Dr. Farrell holds three worldwide patents for new dental appliances and is developing other innovations in his practice in Queensland, Australia, specific to the early treatment of orthodontic problems in children and TMJ disorder in adults.



Dr Chris Farrell BDS sydney university,



Myofunctional Research Co.

Myofunctional Research Co. (MRC)

Causes of malocclusion breathing disorders is the major cause of malocclusion, poor jaw growth and TMJ disorder. Treatment plan: the Myobrace[®] myofunctional orthodontic system targets airway dysfunction, habit correction, arch expansion and dental alignment into one integrated system to resolve <u>craniofacial</u> and <u>orthodontic</u> problems.

How Myobrace® Appliances Work

1989 MRC has pioneered the use of singlesized, pre-fabricated appliances using myofunctional habit correction while the child is still growing to improve jaw development.

The fundamental keys to this treatment are obtaining correct nasal breathing, correcting tongue resting position, and retraining the oral muscles to function correctly. Along with habit correction, Myobrace[®] appliances apply light forces to the teeth to assist the teeth to align into their natural position, usually with no need for braces or extractions. The appliances are worn for just 1-2 hours each day, plus overnight while sleeping. A successful treatment outcome requires good patient compliance. There are 3-4 stages of appliances that are designed for each dentition, which are specific to that age group.



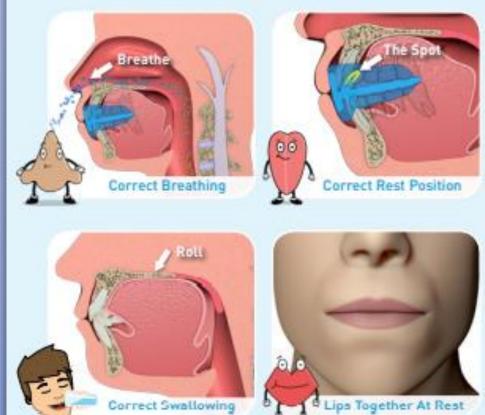
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Myofunctional Orthodontics concepts

- 1. Breathing through the nose
- 2. Lips together at rest
- 3. Correct tongue position during rest and swallowing
- 4. No facial muscles moving on swallowing
- 5. Optimal facial development
- 6. Class I occlusion
- 7. Straight teeth
- 8. Better long term stability

Treatment Goals:

- Correct nasal breathing.
- Correct function of oro-facial musculature.
- Correct arch form and tooth alignment.





The Trainer System

The precursor to The Myobrace® System



Myobrace

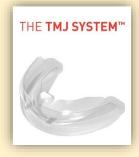
Advanced myofunctional orthodontic appliance range





The TMJ System

treatment of bruxism and temporomandibular joint (TMJ) disorders



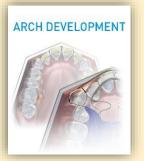
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Treatment of breathing, myofunctional and TMJ



Arch Development

improve the relationship of the jaws and develop the arches



Myotalia

Improves the strength and tone of the airway and orofacial muscles







Prefabricated dental appliance that address breathing, myofunctional and orthodontic problems.

Mechanism of action:

1-Myofunctional training characteristics (Correct poor oral habits) :

Breathe through the nose Correct tongue resting position Swallow correctly Keep the lips together

2-Dual-layer technology for improved arch development and tooth alignment.

Appliance stages:

- Stage 1 Habit correction
- Stage 2 Dental arch development
- Stage 3 Dental alignment & retention







GOOD HEALTH HABITS VS BAD HEALTH HABITS

-NUTRITION
-NASAL BREATHING
-CORRECT BODY
POSTURE
-CORRECT TONGUE
POSITION
-CORRECT SWALLOWING
-CORRECT LIPS POSITION





Nutrition

•Soft Processed and Pre-cooked foods •Limit muscular exercise and development •Fail to stimulate osseous development •Fail to develop muscular coordination

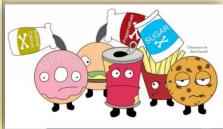
•Sugar over-feed bacteria in the mouth and gut

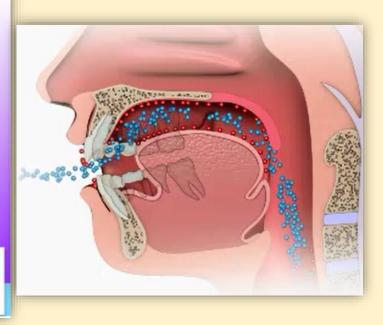


When the tongue rests in the roof of the mouth the teeth erupt around the tongue forming a normally shaped and sized jaw.



The tongue is the scaffold for the upper jaw





THE MAJORITY OF CHILDREN HAVE A DEVELOPING MALOCCLUSION



The majority of children show signs of incorrect dental and facial development at an early age. Parents see the problem but are told to wait until the permanent teeth are present at 12 to 14 years of age before orthodontic treatment.





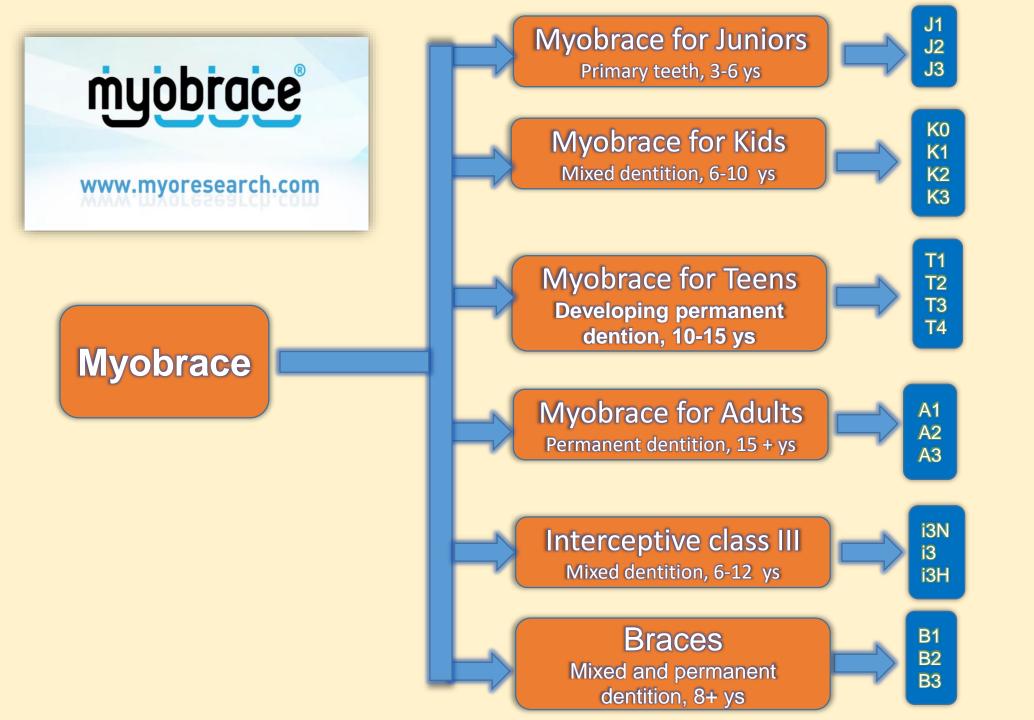


Mouth Breathing



Reverse Swallow

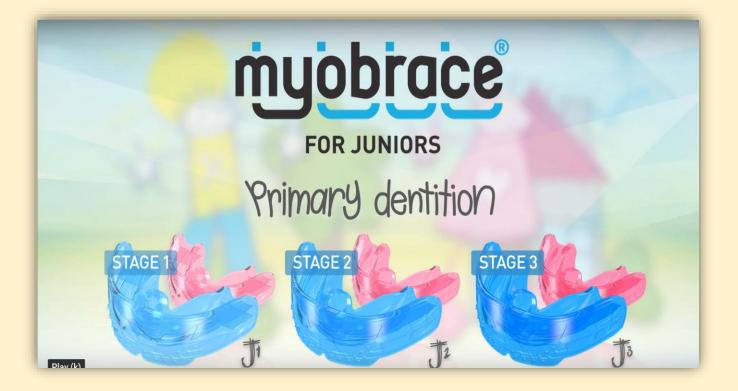




Myobrace for Juniors 3-6 ys, primary dentition

Correct poor oral habits while treating upper and lower jaw development problems

- excercize jaw muscles
- Encouraging correct chewing
- Training correct nasal breathing
- Correcting tongue position
- Good replacement of pacifier / dummy
- Improving arch development



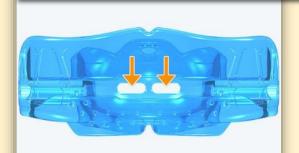


Establish nasal breathing and habit correction

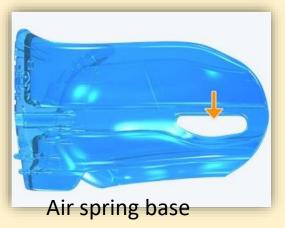
The J1 is soft and flexible, which increases compliance and comfort, while adapting to any arch form and malocclusion.



J1 Design Features



Flexible material, large breathing holes

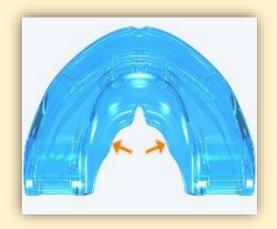




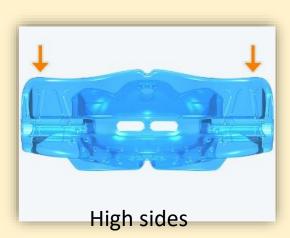


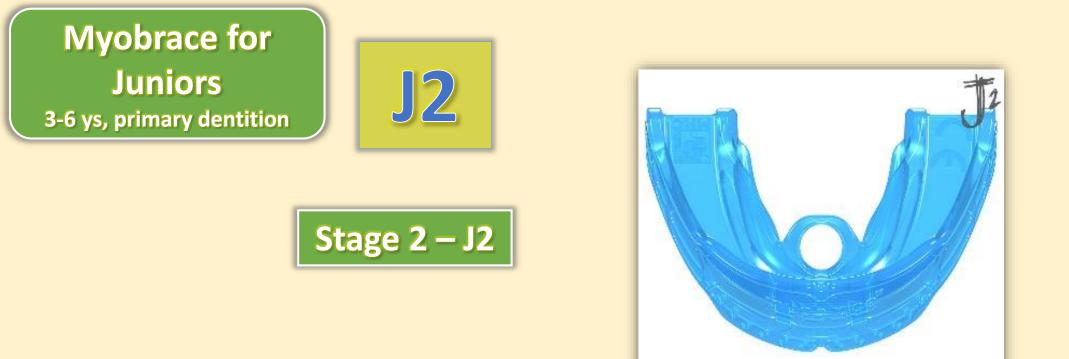
Lip bumper





Tongue elevator



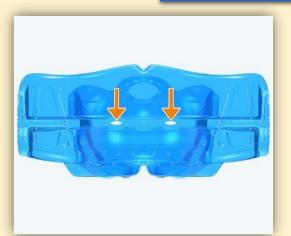


Arch expansion and continue habit correction

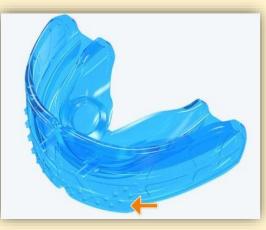




J2 Design Features



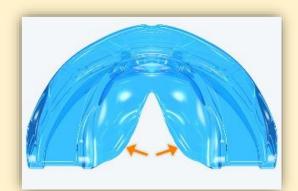
Firmer material, small breathing holes



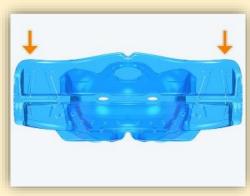
Lip bumper



Hollow tongue tag



Tongue elevator



High sides

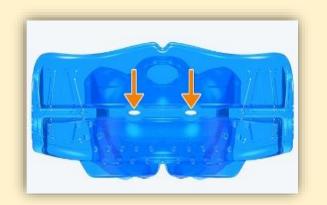


Finalise alignment, habit correction and retention

The firmest appliance and is designed to finalise the arch form, jaw development and myofunctional correction, as well as retention.



J3 Design Features



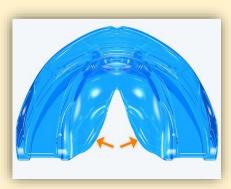
Firmest material, small breathing holes



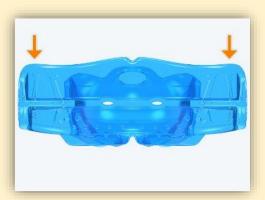
Lip bumper



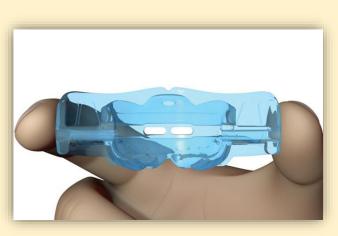
Hollow tongue tag



Tongue elevator



High sides



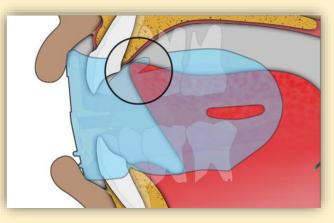
•*Step 1* •Hold the *Myobrace*[®] with the tongue tag facing up.



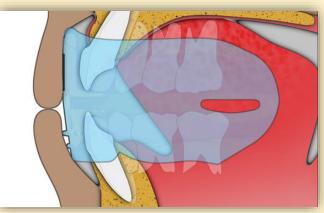
Step 2
Place the *Myobrace*[®] into your mouth.

Myobrace for Juniors 3-6 ys, primary dentition

Directions for Use



•*Step 3* •Keep your tongue positioned on the tongue tag.



•Step 4

•Close down on the *Myobrace*[®] and feel it working to align your front teeth and jaws.



Step 5
Keep your lips together and breathe through your nose.

Myobrace for Juniors 3-6 ys, primary dentition



Age: 3 years 8 months





Myobrace for Juniors 3-6 ys, primary dentition



Age: 4 years 10 months



19 December 2018



6 – 10 years (best after upper incisors eruption)

Designed For

- Class II Division 1 + 2
- Anterior (upper + lower) crowding
- Deep bite
- Open bite

HABIT CORRECTION Establish nasal breathing. STAGE 1

4-6 months

4-6 months

4-6 months



ARCH

Establish correct

tongue position.

STAGE 2





The K1 is available in three

and clear.

VIEW [left]

sizes and comes in pink, blue

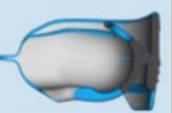
K1 APPLIANCE - PERSPECTIVE

K1 - CROSS SECTION labove)

The K2 is available in three sizes and comes in pink, blue and clear. K2 APPLIANCE - TOP VIEW (left) K2 - CROSS SECTION (above)







The K3 is available in three sizes and comes in pink, blue and clear

K3 APPLIANCE - REAR TECHNICAL VIEW [left] K3 - CROSS SECTION (above)

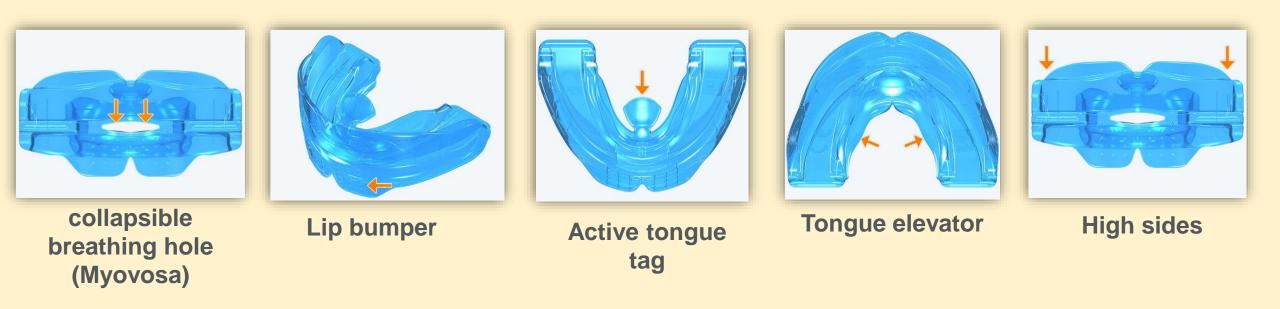
STAGE 3



> The K0 is the starting appliance for chronic mouth breathers and features a large collapsible breathing hole and compressible tongue tag.



KO Design Features



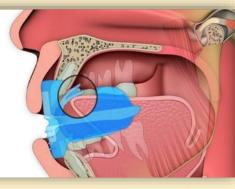




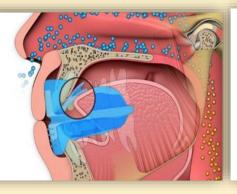
K0 Directions for Use



Place the *Myobrace*[®] in to your mouth with the active tongue tag facing up.



Position your tongue on the active tongue tag



Close down and press lips together to transition to nose breathing

Push up on the active tongue tag and hold for three breaths. Complete the Tongue Press Exercise while tilting the head up and backwards to target the throat and airway muscles



K1



Establish nasal breathing and habit correction

The K1 is soft and flexible adapting to any arch form and malocclusion.

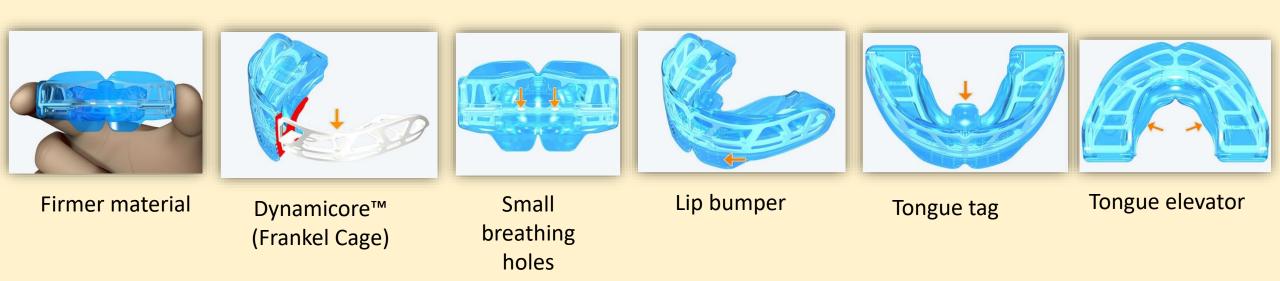




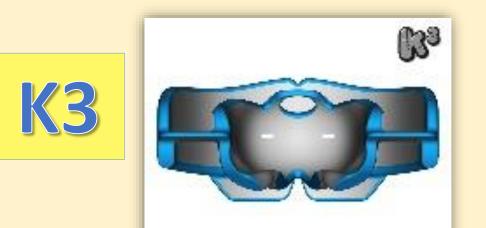




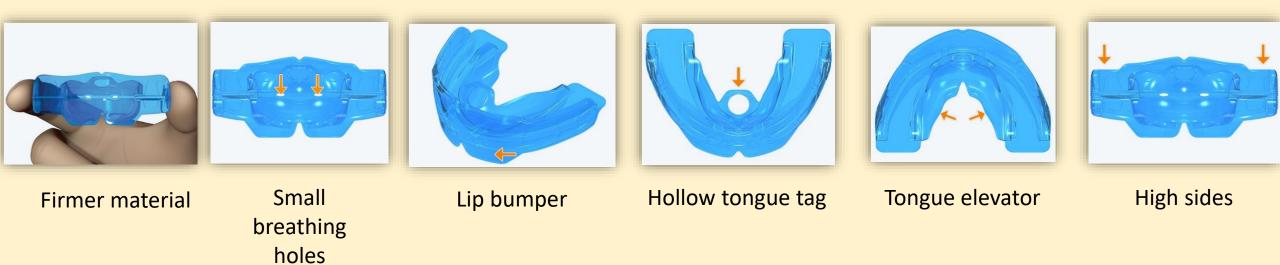
Arch expansion and continue habit correction



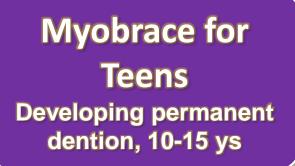




Finalise alignment, habit correction and retention The K3 is the firmest appliance







Designed For

- Class II Division 1 + 2 malocclusion
- Anterior (upper + lower) crowding
- Deep bite
- Open bite

Four-stage appliance system used for arch development (especially anterior arch development) and dental alignment

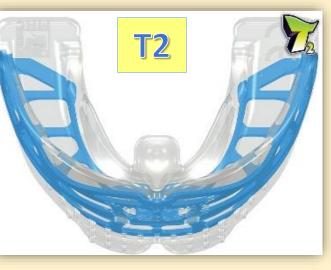


Myobrace for Teens Developing permanent dention, 10-15 ys



Establish nasal breathing and habit correction

The T1 is soft and flexible, adapting to any arch form and malocclusion.



Arch expansion and continue habit correction

The T2 is designed to achieve arch expansion and promote the correction of tongue position, swallow and lip seal.



Dental alignment

The T3 is the only dental positioner in the entire Myobrace[®] range and focuses on dental alignment using individual tooth slots.

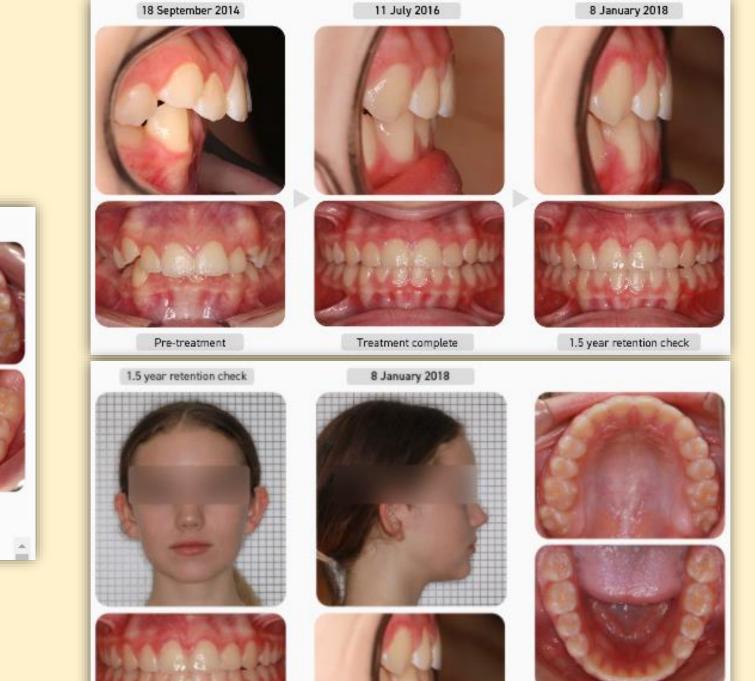


Finalise

alignment, habit correction and retention







Myobrace for Adults Permanent dentition, 15 + ys



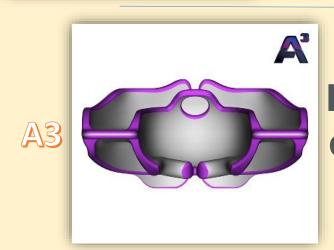
Establish nasal breathing and habit correction soft and flexible, adapt to any malocclusion.

Designed For

- Treating malocclusion in adult patients.
- Mild to medium upper and lower anterior crowding.
- Treatment of relapse of anterior alignment after orthodontic treatment with braces.
- Moderate Class II Division 1 and Division 2.



Arch expansion and continue habit correction



Finalise alignment, habit correction and retention the firmest appliance

Myobrace for Adults Permanent dentition, 15 + ys





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A1

Treatment complete

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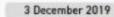


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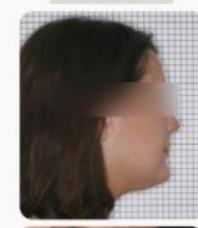


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BWS + A1



A2







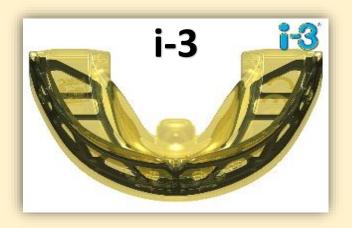
Interceptive class III Mixed dentition, 6-12 ys

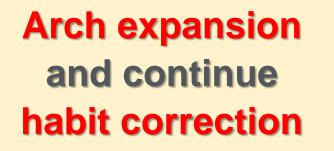
A three-stage appliance system used for Class III malocclusion in the mixed dentition, focuses on encouraging maxillary arch development while correcting breathing and myofunctional habits



Establish nasal breathing and habit correction

soft and flexible, adapting to any arch form and malocclusion.







Finalise alignment, habit correction and retention firmest appliance

Permanent dentition class III

P-3

The *P-3* appliance that focuses on correction of a dental Class III relationship in the developing permanent and permanent dentition. It also provides retention of arch form, breathing and myofunctional habits



A firm appliance with a 3mm offset, making it ideal for the dental correction of anterior crossbites of the permanent incisors or edgeto-edge bites.

Interceptive class III Mixed dentition, 6-12 ys





29 May 2017







1 year retention check





17 July 2020





Myobrace for Braces Mixed and permanent dentition, 8+ ys

Designed For

- conjunction with fixed braces to improve their effectiveness.
- Improve dental alignment.
- Improve facial development.







Establish nasal breathing and habit correction, soft and flexible, adapting to any arch form and malocclusion. It also has channels to accommodate brackets and wires, and is particularly suited for initial levelling and alignment.

Arch expansion and habit correction with braces

Retention in combination with retainers

(wider channels for the teeth to accommodate vacuum formed retainers or clear aligners)

Arch development appliances for use with MRC's appliances

Designed For

- Narrow arch development
- Anterior crowding





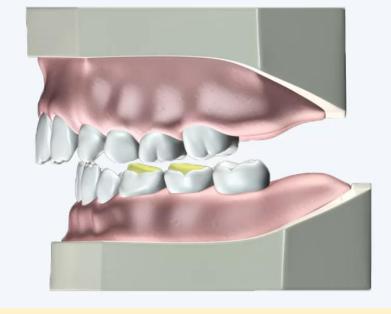
Farrell Bent Wire SystemTM (BWS)

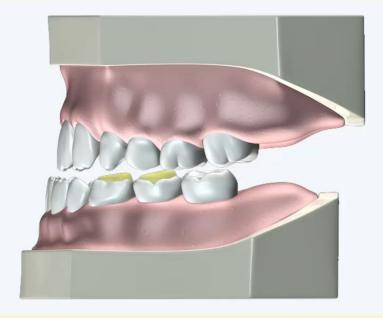
Biobloc

Arch development appliances for use with MRC's appliances









Crossbite correction

Class II correction

Class III correction

MYOBRACE ACTIVITIES



ACTIVITY GOALS: to train the

patient to:

Breathe through the nose

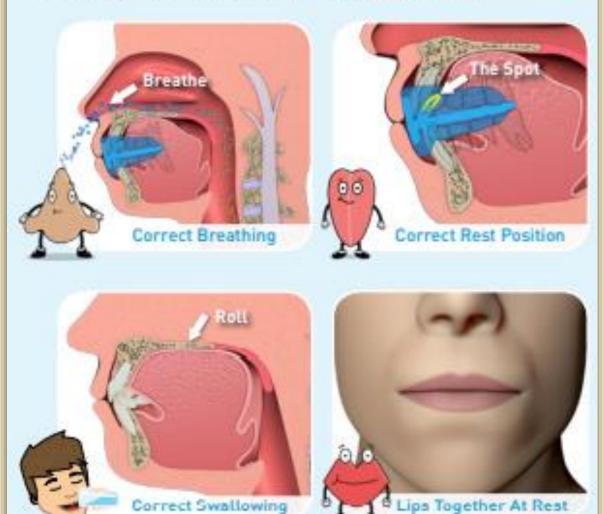
Keep tongue in correct resting position

Swallow correctly

Keep the lips together

Treatment Goals:

- Correct nasal breathing.
- Correct function of oro-facial musculature.
- Correct arch form and tooth alignment.



MYOBRACE ACTIVITIES

1- BREATHING ACTIVITIES

breathing lightly
 breathing pace
 head rocking

3- SWALLOWING ACTIVITIES

1- myobrace swallow
 2- swallowing activity
 3- funny face swallow

2-TONGUE ACTIVITIES

tongue resting place
 tongue click
 tongue suction hold
 surface board tongue
 fat tongue – skinny tongue
 tongue tip ups

4- LIP SEAL ACTIVITIES

1-lip trainer

2- lip pops

3- buffer fish strech

ALWAYS REMEMBER:

IT IS NOT THE APPLIANCE TYPE

IT IS THE MOTIVATION & TRAINING

Patient education

MRC Center



Examination room Records room Cartoon demonstration on I-pads Training group hall

Colorful childish decoration Mirror



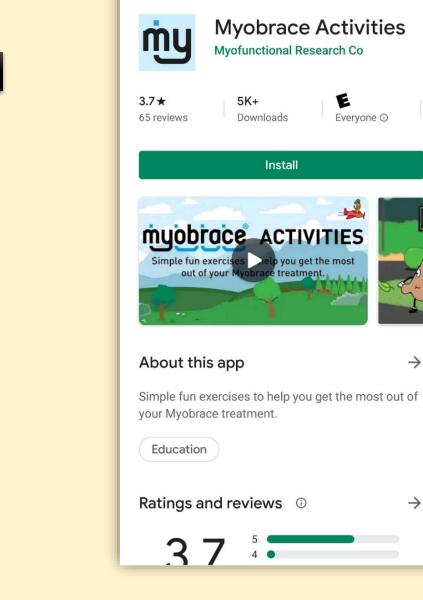
Figures 9-10. A well-equipped records room is an essential part of the Myobrace Centre.





Figures 11-12. The Myobrace Centre layout system allows for simultaneous patient education and effective utilisation of space for optimal patient flow.

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Current date:				Parent/ Patient Major	concerns:		
Patient name:							
D.O.B:	Age:						
Referred by:				Previous Orthodontic	Previous Orthodontic recommendations:		
Evaluation performed by:							
DENTAL ALIGNMENT	ARCH	FORM		OCCLUSION	FACIAL DEVELOPMENT		
DENTAL ALIGNMENT	Upper	Lo	wer	OCCLUSION	FACIAL DEVELOPMENT		
Good dental alignment	Normal		mal	Correct bite relationship	Good facial development		
Crowding in upper jaw	D Narrow	-		Overbite Overbite Overbite	Deficiency in mid-face		
Crowding in lower jaw	L Narrow	• Na	arrow	Open bite	Deficiency in lower face		
Midlines correct	Flattened	□ Fl	attened	Crossbite Anterior	Excess vertical growth		
 Midline discrepancy 				 Antenor Posterior 			
Notes:	Notes:			Notes:	Notes:		
BREATHING & POSTURE	TON	IGUE		SWALLOW	LIPS & CHEEKS		
Light nasal breathing Heavy nasal breathing While awake While awake While sleeping Snoring Bruxism Enlarged tonsits Daytime sleepiness Good posture Poor posture Forward head Forward shoulders Notes:	Correct tongue rest posture Incorrect tongue rest posture Contract tongue rest posture Contract tongue rest posture Contract tongue posture Contract ton				Correct lip rest posture Apart at rest Orofacial muscle strain at rest when lips are together Incompetent lips Notes:		
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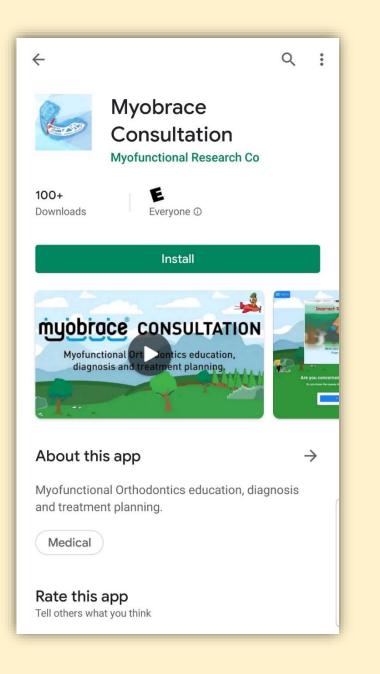
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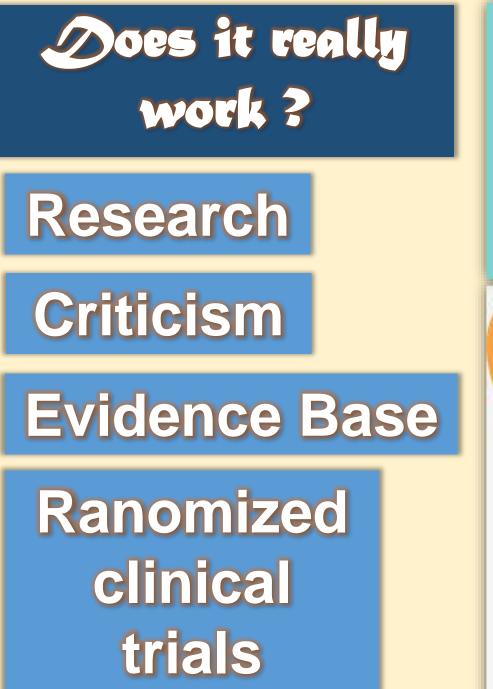
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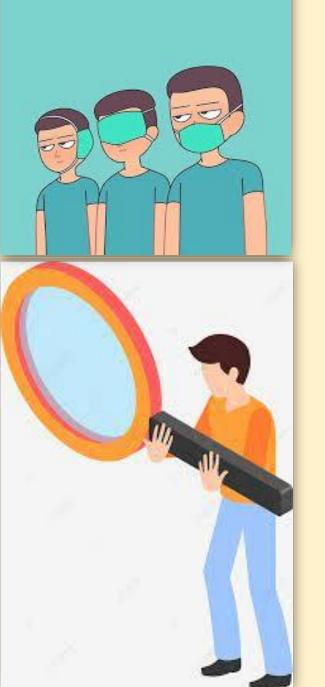
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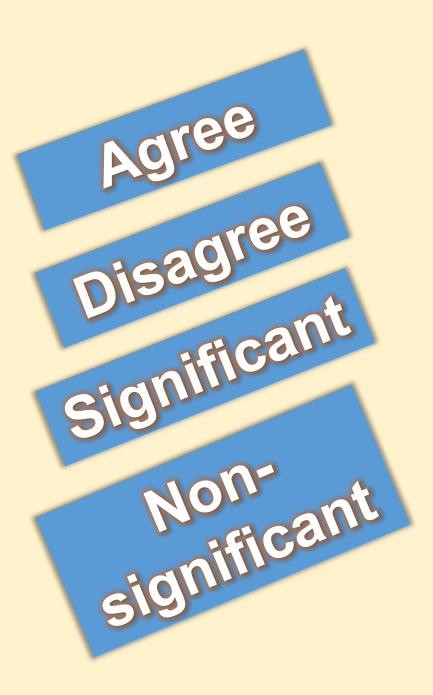
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Disagree

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Idris et al 2019	Activator treatment superior to Myobrace® in terms of skeletal changes, overjet reduction, facial height increase and profile improvement.	Eur J Orthod 2019;41:21 -28.	randomized, clinical trial
Wishney et al. 2019	the <u>disadvantages</u> of pre -adolescent Class II treatment outweigh the <u>benefits</u> when compared with functional appliance treatment during the pubertal growth spurt . These burdens include a prolonged total treatment time, patient 'burnout', increased costs and the need for retention until the permanent dentition has erupted. Compared with treatment during puberty, functional appliance therapy prior to puberty has less skeletal benefits and may be less stable if performed during the mixed dentition due to poor interdigitation. Therefore, the evidence to date suggests that that correction of Class II malocclusion prior to the pubertal growth stage requires strict indications such trauma risk from increased overjet, psychological problems and traumatic overbite.		review of the history and evidence



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Čirgić et al 2017	Costs of Myobrace® compared with Andreson activator. Myobrace® significantly less cost, fewer visits, less chair time and reduced likelihood of emergency visits.	European journal of orthodontics 2017;40:437 -443.	, randomized, clinical trial
Ramirez- Yanez et al . 2014	The pre-orthodontic Trainer significantly increases the amplitude of the EMG activity in the Temporalis and Masseter muscles at clench in patients with Class II, division 1 malocclusion has been confirmed to levels similar to those recorded for patients with normal dental occlusion.	(The Journal of Clinical Pediatric Dentistry 2014 Volume 38, Number 4/2014, p: 380-384)	clinical study
Čirgić et al 2016	Dental and lip seal effects of Myobrace compared with activator, No significance different between appliance effects in successful cases. Both improved overjet, overbite and Class II molar elationships. At 1 year	European journal of orthodontics 2016;38:516 - 524.	randomized, clinical trial
Usumez et al 2004	Comparison of effect of Myobrace® with untreated controls. Controls malocclusion either stable or worsened. Myobrace® resulted in reduction in overjet (mean 3.62mm) and a greater increase in face height vs controls (mean 2mm), preorthodontic trainer application induces basically dentoalveolar changes that result in a significant reduction of overjet and can be used with appropriate patient selection.	The Angle Orthodontist 2004;74:605 -609	randomized, clinical trial
Ramirez- Yanez et al 2007	Effect of Myobrace® on arch dimensions. Myobrace® group had expanded intermolar and inter-canine widths 0.9-1.4mm more than untreated controls	Journal of clinical pediatric dentistry 2007;31:279 -283.	clinical study
Uysal et al. 2012	The results from the present EMG follow-up study of a sample with Class II division 1 malocclusion with incompetent lips indicated that treatment with POT appliance showed a positive influence on the masticatory and perioral musculature when compared to control.	(European Journal of Orthodontics 34 (2012) 96–101	clinical study
_	In 10 orthodontic male patients aged 8 to 13 years, a 6- month treatment with a single size, preformed dental silicone positioner obtained: 1. significant mandibular growth in the anterior and inferior directions; 2. significant variations in facial divergence and facial convexity; 3. no modifications in the functional equilibrium of the masticatory muscles.	J Appl Oral Sci. 2009;17(5):487-94	clinical study



Author	Findings	Reference	Туре
T. PELTOMÄ KI 2007	the craniofacial structure in patients regarded as (mouth breathing patients) is also caused by abnormal nocturnal secretion of GH and its mediators in children with obstructed breathing, mandibular ramus growth is less than that in healthy subjects	European Journal of Orthodontics. 29 (2007), :426– 429	clinical study
Ramirez- Yanez, et al. 2008	the T4K may be a useful method to treat Class II, division 2 malocclusions at an early age as it has been demonstrated for Class II, division 1 malocclusions. The results in this patient suggest that the T4K may stimulate mandibular growth and increase the vertical dimension. It is important for the clinician to identify the primary and associated factors causing the malocclusion and properly treat them by balancing the force delivered on the various components of the craneo- cervicomandibular system. This may result in a faster treatment and a more stable result.	J Clin Pediatr Dent 32(4): 325–330, 2008	clinical study
Li et al. 2019	A 10-year-old girl with a Class II Division 1 malocclusion characterized by severe maxillary incisors protrusion and an underdeveloped mandible was successfully treated with a T4B and fixed appliances. Myofunctional training contributed to correcting oral habits and establishing muscular balance. The occlusion and the facial profile were effectively improved with good posttreatment stability.	Am J Orthod Dentofacial Orthop 2019;156:545-54	clinical study
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Eliades, and Papageorg iou 2020	Current evidence indicates that orthopedic treatment with functional appliances for Class II malocclusion might be associated with increased volume and dimensions of the upper airways, which are dependent on patient- and treatment-related factors	J. Clin. Med. 2020, 9, 3806; doi:10.3390/jcm91 23806	Systematic Review with Meta-Analysis
Papageorg iou et al. 2019	PMAs are more effective in reducing overjet, overbite, mandibular crowding and establishing Class I canine relationship than no treatment. However, compared to custom-made functional appliances, PMAs are less effective in producing dental, skeletal or soft-tissue changes, even though they are less costly.	J Journal of Orthodontics 1–14	systematic review with meta-analyses of randomised trials

Weak points

1- MRC base their treatment philosophy around the hypothesis that soft tissue dysfunction is the major cause of malocclusion and aberrant craniofacial growth

2- It corrects the soft tissues and breathing when the child is young (pre-pubertal growth spurt)

3- This treatment is very similar to orthotropics.

Orthotropics is the science of "Facial Growth Guidance." The treatment is focused on preventing further lengthening of an already too long face, due to the maxilla being unsupported, and is based on facial beauty rather than straight teeth alone.

The UK licensing authority has suspended the developer of this system (John Mew) from clinical practice

4- It is difficult to find any research or even well documented case reports

5- Many pictures up on their websites that show excellent results

6- Results are similar to those obtained by standard orthodontics and functional appliances and the effects are no more than normal dental development

7- Treatment is provided by short courses for interested practitioners, training programmes runs over a few days and delegates can become a Myobrace Member or Certified Provider

8- Their main speakers are general practitioners

9- Myofunctional Research Co did not carried out a trial into their treatment methods

10- Why do dentists accept the promotion of this treatment and treat their patients in the absence of evidence on whether the treatment will work?

11- Can patients consent to this treatment in the absence of evidence of its effectiveness?

Strength points

1- It may have potential

2- It is time for academic researchers to work with Myofunctional research and carry out a high quality trial research

3- It is more convenient for the patients

Made of silicon rubber and contain no acrylic or wires and no extra-oral components

Worn during sleep and for 2 hrs during the day time

4- Give excellent results as compared to no treatment (or when a child refuses ordinary myofuctional appliances)

5- Could be worn over essix retainer and aligners

