Class I with an anterior localized cross bite Female, I2:6 yrs.



Initial extraoral photos





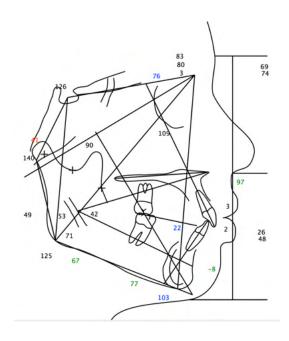


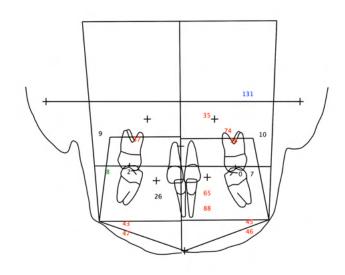




Intraoral photos before treatment.

Pre Tx





Case summary:

12:6 yo Female, Class I late mixed dentition with a localized cross bite (upper right canine), which causes the mandible to shift. Midlines off. Based on the lat ceph and PA ceph, she presents with a normal sagittal, vertical and transverse dimensions.

Tx Strategy by Stages:

Stage I: leveling and aligning moving upper right canine buccally correcting cross bite. Her bite will be opened adding occlusal stops on lower 6'. The bite should be opened just enough to allow the canine in cross bite to move buccally as the arch aligns.

Stage II: Coordinate upper and lower arches, level mandibular occlusal plane, consolidate all spaces and achieve a good OI/OB.

Stage III: Achieve optimal intercuspation of the buccal segment using vertical triangular elastics.

Appliance:

Auxiliaries:

CCO System

Occlusal stops "blue" on lower 6'.

Elastics 3/16" 6oz (Thailand).

Wire Sequence:

Stage I: 0.014" Sentalloy AccuForm Medium.

0.018" Sentalloy AccuForm Medium.

0.020" x 0.020" Bioforce AccuForm Medium.

Stage II: 0.019" x 0.019" SS AccuForm Medium.

Stage III: 0.019" x 0.019" Braided AccuForm Medium.







Stage I. In-Ovation 'C' CCO System with upper and lower 0.014" Sentalloy AccuForm Medium wires. Bite was opened adding occlusal stops on lower 6'. In these photos, patient is intentionally opening her mouth to better appreciate the blue occlusal stops. They are flat and even like a flat splint, so the patient can close without any mandibular shift.







Stage I. Upper and lower 0.018" Sentalloy AccuForm Medium wires. The blue occlusal stops were reduced.







Stage I. Upper and lower 0.020" x 0.020" Bioforce AccuForm Medium wires. Upper left canine was engaged and upper right 5 was repositioned more gingivally.







Stage II. Upper and lower 0.019" x 0.025" ss. AccuForm Medium wires. Vertical triangular elastics 3/16" 6oz.



Stage II. Upper and lower 0.019" \times 0.025" ss. AccuForm Medium wires. Upper and lower occlusal planes leveled and paralleled. Power Chain is used to consolidate any remaining space. Vertical triangular elastics 3/16" 6oz.



Stage III. Upper and lower 0.019" x 0.025" ss. Braided AccuForm Medium wires. Spaces are consolidated. Good OJ/OB. Lower right 5 was repositioned. Continues with vertical triangular elastics 3/16" 6oz.





Intraoral final photos. 22 months of active Tx.



Extraoral final photos.



Intraoral photos I year post Tx.

Final comments:

I started this case with full comprehensive orthodontic treatment earlier than I usually do. I had to balance length of treatment versus correcting the canine's cross bite (patient chief complaint) and functional shift as soon as possible. Should I wait to have all her permanent teeth at the time of initial bonding or should I start right away, solve the cross bite, but make the treatment longer than otherwise? We (patient, parents and myself) decided to start treatment right away. Stage I lasted I2 months, Stage II lasted 8 months and Stage III, 2 months. Stage I was the longest one, what is not very common. Generally the longest stage is Stage II. I had her on a 0.014" and then 0.018"Sentalloy wires for several months waiting for her premolars and canines to completely erupt. We worked hard on her oral higiene and motivation. Fortunately, patient responded exceptionally!