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Preface

I have read some dentistry books in which the respective authors describe how daunting it is to write a book that involves so many different coauthors. Yet, writing this book was not a very difficult task. I am fortunate to have known so many talented colleagues who accepted my challenge to write the book chapters. Although they come from different countries with different dental education philosophies, such as Brazil, Canada, Finland, Germany, Portugal, South Korea, and USA, they all speak the same common “dental” language.

I have taught clinical dentistry to undergraduate students continuously since 1985, the year I finished dental school. The idea to write this book has been fermenting in my mind inspired by the need to teach evidence-based concepts on the restoration of endodontically treated teeth to our dental students at the University of Minnesota, as well as to colleagues who attend my lectures around the world. The conceptual blueprint behind the book was far from writing an encyclopedia on the topic of the restoration of endodontically treated teeth. Our goal was to compile the perspectives from experts in the this particular subject on the different aspects that involve the diagnosis, treatment planning, material properties, clinical procedures, and longevity of restored endodontically treated tooth. The ultimate goal was to help clinicians make decisions based on the available evidence.

We all hope that you will enjoy this book.

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