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(54) Abstract Title: Combination dental hand tool

(57) A hand-held, self-powered combination dental tool is capable of performing multiple concurrent functions including suction, retraction, and intra-oral lighting so that dental treatment can be carried out easily under good lighting. (A suction connection is required). Another lighting mode (blue to ultra-violet) also allows inspection of the oral cavity for lesions such as hyperplasia or neoplasia using local changes in tissue fluorescence as an indicator. Internal batteries are rechargeable. Measurements of tissue fluorescence can be made and reported using internal detection and digital measurement.

