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**Venue** **SMX CONVENTION CENTER MANILA Function Room 5**

**Presentation Title:** **ORTHODONTICS: WHAT ARE WE MISSING OUT ON?**

Are we diagnosing our orthodontic patients correctly? Patients and oftentimes dentists are commonly misled that only alignment of teeth is necessary during orthodontic therapy. Orthodontic diagnosis extends to knowledge of the patients’ growth, facial structure evaluation and functional occlusion. Proper evaluation of these factors will lead to successful treatment and patient satisfaction. This success necessitates dentists to be aware of spatial relationships, early detection of developmental habits, skeletal discrepancies and abnormalities and how to address them.

The practice of orthodontics has evolved drastically over the last four decades. This lecture will give listeners a step-by-step problem-based overview of basic and virtual treatment planning and will differentiate and show transition of old to new materials and techniques. Current treatment methods such as different types of screw-retained appliances and bracket-free orthodontics will be previewed as well as their usages, retention and stability.

Since faster treatment is a goal of the profession, this lecture will highlight the modern concepts of the biology of tooth movement and its translation into clinical practice. Briefly, this will give a viewpoint on how orthodontics can contribute to other fields of dentistry and how the methods presented can help to improve the foundation of a great orthodontic practice.