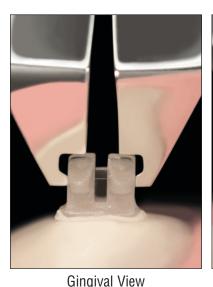
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## With the Unitek<sup>™</sup> Debonding Instrument (REF #900-850)

- 1) Remove archwire.
- 2) Remove adhesive flash around base of bracket to be debonded. **Note**: Failure to remove flash around bracket base, especially on the mesial-distal sides, may result in incomplete debonding.
- 3) Position debonding instrument against the mesial-distal sides of the Clarity bracket as shown. Be sure that the ledges of the instrument are symmetrically positioned against the labial surfaces of the bracket. This is important to optimize contact area on the bracket. It may be helpful to turn the patient's head to get optimal positioning.
- 4) Gently squeeze bracket until the bracket collapses. Do not squeeze too hard, or else bracket may fracture prematurely. Gently rock the bracket in the mesial or distal direction to completely separate the bracket from the enamel.
- 5) After debonding each bracket, carefully wipe the contact surfaces of the instrument to remove tiny bits of adhesive or ceramic material.







Gingival View

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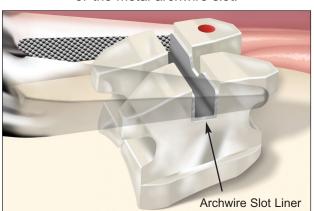


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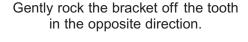
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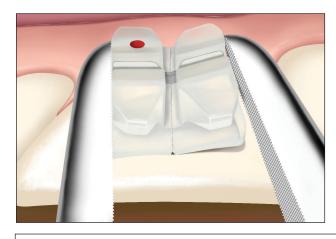
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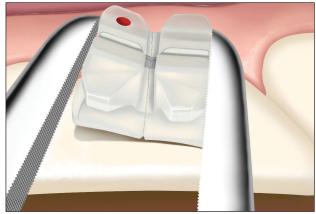
Position the tips of either a How or Weingart hand instrument over the mesial/distal sides of the metal archwire slot.



Squeeze gently with the hand instrument until the bracket collapses.









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