Whether following initial scaling or surgery, the gingiva tightens as it heals and there may be areas of recession and/or residual pocket depth. Likewise, patients with relatively healthy gingiva also have tight tissue. In either case, these areas require a smaller and thinner curette blade to insert subgingivally. In collaboration with Hu-Friedy, Anna Pattison designed the new Periodontal Maintenance Gracey curettes with these challenges in mind.

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—ANNA PATTISON, RDH, MS
ANNA'S DESIGN RATIONALE:

Since my first week of clinical practice, I have wished for a set of modified Gracey curettes to use on patients with tight tissue, including periodontal patients after initial therapy or surgery. After over forty years in practice, I had the opportunity to design a customized set of Gracey curettes with Hu-Friedy, the original manufacturer of the Gracey curettes. These new instruments have shorter, thinner, smaller blades honed at a 60° angle with a modified rigid shank specially designed to allow easier access and easier insertion under tight tissue. Each has a fine, sharp EverEdge blade that will insert effortlessly to the base of any sulcus or pocket to remove biofilm and new calculus.

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