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**If Dental Hygienists Were Superheroes**

In a world where Dental Hygienists are superheroes, they would stop the pathogenic crime on a dime. The DH Squad would make sure the streets were clean from mature biofilm with the help of Mr. Universal, Antoinette S. Scaler and Pasqual S. Scaler, the dynamic Gracey Bros. Minnie Minocycline is the smallest of the group, but don’t let her size fool you! She has the quickest shot in town that will have you under her control for up to 30 days. Last but certainly not least, the amazing lasso-toting Flosetta. There are different mobs that come and go. Some more dangerous than others and some that don’t learn their lessons. The DH Squad won’t let the S. Mutans boys run wild. Handing out cariogenic treats and popcorn every chance they get, hoping there will be a possible flare up. There always seems to be flare ups around the holidays. Every once in a while, the S. Mutans boys’ crime leader Don. Lactobacillus, tries to send out his orders subgingivally. That’s when things get sticky and the DH Squad doesn’t like when there’s hidden pockets of violence in different areas, under innocent people’s noses. That’s the time when the DH Squad scrapes up the supra/subgingival grime and keeps old Don. Lactobacillus and the S. Mutans boys in line. So once again, the day is saved, thanks to the DH Squad!