

Press Release

2nd MEDICA MEDICINE + SPORTS CONFERENCE: This Year's Place to be for the Who-Is-Who in Performance and Vital Data Monitoring

After the huge success last year the two-day MEDICA MEDICINE + SPORTS CONFERENCE will place during the world's largest medical show MEDICA on 12th and 13th of November. More than 200 attendees will visit the communication platform of medicine, sports and technology.

The international networking platform will provide numerous impulses for new approaches in prevention, therapy and regeneration. Thirty worldwide renowned experts, drivers, doers, and innovative companies and start-ups of different industries and disciplines will get together at the 2nd MEDICA MEDICINE + SPORTS CONFERENCE, to present and discuss future solutions and technologies for sports medicine. Focus of the 2nd MEDICA MEDICINE + SPORTS CONFERENCE will be on new findings and opportunities in performance and vital data monitoring and the integration of these findings in innovative approaches for prevention and regeneration.

MEDICA MEDICINE + SPORTS Conference was able to attract impressive speakers (excerpt):

- Prof. Jonathan B. Clark, Medical Director of the Red Bull Stratos
 Project, Professor of Neurology, Space Medicine, and Preventive
 Medicine, Baylor College of Medicine (Houston)
- Prof. Dr. Tim Meyer, Professor for Sports and Preventive Medicine Saarland University, Team Physician of World Cup Winning German National Football Team
- Marc Meurer, Head Sports Science Service, Polar
- Steven Small, Vice President Business Development, Zephyr
- Alberto Bichi, Secretary General, Federation of the European Sporting Goods Industry FESI
- Prof. Dr. Wilhelm Bloch, Head of Institute of Cardiovascular Research and Sports Medicine, German Sport University Cologne, VP, DGSP
- **Dr. Adrian Hutber**, Secretary General, Exercise is Medicine, **American College of Sports Medicine**
- Dr. Maximilian Müller, CEO, Moticon
- Dr. Birgit Böhm, Preventive Pediatrics, Technical University of Munich
- Dr. Johannes Kreuzer, CEO, Cosinuss

The program of the MEDICA MEDICINE + SPORTS CONFERENCE will take place in four consecutive sessions. Day 1 of the conference (12



November 2014) will start with a keynote of **Steven Small**. He is Vice President Business Development of **Zephyr**, a company that equips many professional teams and did the monitoring for the Oracle Team USA at the Americas Cup. He will give interesting insights in the performance monitoring of the Americas Cup team and a lot of impulses for professional and non-professional teams worldwide.

In the following panel discussion about opportunities and risks of using individual sports data in healthcare, representatives of the American College of Sports Medicine, Zephyr, Continua Health Alliance, Cisco, and BodyTel will discuss how this data exchange could become reality.

During the subsequent **Guided Innovation Tour** the conference attendees will visit innovative companies at the MEDICA exhibition. In hall 15 attendees of the conference can test the latest activity trackers and more of the hottest wearables at the WT Wearable Technologies stand and join the **get-together** with networking and lead generation opportunities.

Day 2 of the conference (13 November) will have a spectacular start. Prof. Jonathan B. Clark is medical director of the next mars mission and was the medical lead for the **Red Bull Stratos Project** - Felix Baumgartner's 39km supersonic jump from space to earth. He will present some key findings out of space that will be very interesting for players in the sports medicine field. The focus of the following session 2 will be on new findings regarding parameters for monitoring physical fitness and health status. Prof Dr. Tim Meyer, team physician of the German National Football Team will give insight into the topic of personalizing training programs of athletes according to individual parameters. He will show that many parameters applied in common practice taken to the individual level may loose indicative significance. Prof. Dr. Wilhelm Bloch will present new findings on molecular and cellular markers. And Dr. Johannes Kreuzer of Cosinuss will show a new technology for measuring body core temperature. It already has been tested in diverse sports disciplines. New opportunities of body composition assessment in performance diagnostics will be shown by **Philipp Lilburn** of **seca**. Body composition analysis can have significant impact on performance development and training definition.

Optical Measurement of the spine in motion will be the theme of **Dr. Robert Percy Marshall**, Team Physician, HSV Youth Acadamy. Further presentations in this session by **Prof. Dr. Dr. Matthias Lochmann** and **Prof. Jocelyn Faubert** will focus on measurement and training of cognitive abilities as well as cognitive parameters like peripheral vision.

Then session 3 "Personalizing Training Programs and Equipment" will be topic of the agenda. **Mikko Malmivaara** from **Clothing+** will demonstrate



how monitoring sensors can be integrated into clothing. Petri Lehikoinen of Myontec (technology for measuring muscle activity), Alexis Normand of Withings (smart activity tracker) and Marc Meurer of Polar will present the newest developments in wearable technologies. Helmut Hoffmann, Head Sports Science of Eden Reha / Eden Sport, physio therapist of the German National Football team and Davis Cup team will talk about power diagnostics for individual trainings.

The concluding session 4 will concentrate on "Guidelines for Physical Activity". **Prof. Dr. Herbert Löllgen** (**EFSMA / FIMS**) will present guidelines for pre-examination and exercise prescription for health. **Dr. Birgit Böhm** will show how she implements risk screenings in preventive pediatrics. **Prof. Dr. Jürgen Steinacker** will stipulate the role of new technologies for implementing a healthy lifestyle. And **Alberto Bichi**, Secretary General of the Federation of the European Sporting Goods Industry (**FESI**) will show activities for fostering physical activity.

Sponsors of the MEDICA MEDICINE + SPORTS CONFERENCE are **seca**, **Polar**, **InBody** and **gym80**. Cooperation partners of the MEDICA MEDICINE + SPORTS CONFERENCE are the four largest sports medicine associations in the world: **American College of Sports Medicine** (ACSM) and their initiative "Exercise is Medicine", German Sports Medicine Association **DGSP**, **FIMS** (International Federation of Sports Medicine) and **EFSMA** (European Federation of Sports Medicine). Further cooperation partners are **FESI** (Federation of the European Sporting Goods Industry), **ISPO** (Leading international sports business trade show), **WT Wearable Technologies** and **Continua Health Alliance**.

In 2013 more than 132,000 trade visitors and more than 5.555 exhibitors of 68 nations visited the world's largest medical trade show MEDICA.

More information about the MEDICA MEDICINE + SPORTS CONFERENCE can be found here www.medicine-and-sports.com.

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