**ESAOTE's VETERINARY TEAM ANNOUNCES ITS 7th MRI SYMPOSIUM**

**WILL TAKE PLACE IN TUSCANY, 21 – 22 NOVEMBER 2014**

**TO PUSH FORWARD DEBATE ON THE FUTURE OF MRI**

28 October 2014 [Genoa, Italy] - Esaote, the world's number one veterinary imaging ultrasound and MRI announces its **7th MRI Symposium** will take place in the opulent and inspirational environs of Grotta Giusti Golf & Spa Resort at Monsummano Terme, Tuscany, over the weekend of 21st-22nd November. Key opinion leaders in the veterinary field will share the latest findings, with the aim of pushing forward knowledge and debate about veterinary MRI. This year's meeting will focus on practical guidelines for MR image interpretation applied to pathologies in neurological and musculoskeletal compartments both for small animals and equine.


**CHAIRED BY PROFESSOR MICHAEL E HERRTAGE**

The symposium will be chaired by Michael E Herrtage, BVSc, DVSc, DVR, DVD, DSAM, MRCVS, Dipl ECVIM, Dipl ECVDI, Professor of Small Animal Medicine at the University of Cambridge, a Fellow of St. Edmund's College, and Dean of the Cambridge Veterinary School. In his words, *"It is always inspiring to be at the heart of the debate and hear the latest findings within one's sector. Having been involved with Esaote during the 'blueprint' stage of their MRI design has made for truly dedicated systems that start with the animal in mind. I'm sure delegates will be impressed by hearing about the next range of sequences on offer, and how they can help. I look forward to chairing what promises to be an illuminating weekend of learning."*

Professor Herrtage has a particular interest in endocrine and metabolic disorders. In 2014, he was awarded the World Small Animal Veterinary Association International Award for Scientific Achievement for outstanding contributions by a veterinarian, who has had a significant impact on the advancement of knowledge concerning the cause, detection, cure and/or control of disorders of companion animals. He has spoken at many international meetings and published over 200 articles in refereed journals.

Q&A sessions will follow each talk, engendering a sense of openness and honest debate by delegate professionals, with ample room for discussing the latest theories and developments. The symposium's programme includes topics such as sequence development; congenital brain abnormalities; CT and MRI use in daily neurological practice; epilepsy and MRI; diagnosis of equine stifle lameness and many other talks that will address questions on neurology radiology and orthopaedics.

Cor van der Flier, Esaote Veterinary Business Director, explains: "*This year's meeting aims to consolidate the excellent relationships we have forged so far, and to foster an exchange of ideas amongst Esaote users - and veterinarians who are interested in our cutting-edge technology. We very much look forward to returning to Tuscany after 10 years to host our seventh veterinary symposium*."

**Guest Speakers:**

- **Michael E Herrtage**, MA, BVSc, DVR, DVD, DSAM, MRCVS, Dipl ECVN, Dipl ECVDI (UK)
- **Henrik Sten Andersen,** DVM (DK)
- **Massimo Baroni** DVM, Dipl ECVN (I)
- **Cristian Falzone**, DVM, MRCVS, Dipl ECVN (I)
- **Konrad Jurina**, DVM, Dipl ECVN (D)
- **Martin Konar**, DVM, Dipl ECVDI (A)
- **Julien Labruyère**, DVM, CertVDI, Dipl ECVDI, MRCVS, RCVS
- **Alexia McKnight**, DVM, Dipl ACVR (USA)
- **Colleen Mitchell**, DVM, DVSc, Dipl ACVR (USA)
- **Don van den Winkel**, DVM (NL)
- **Martin Waselau**, DVM, Dipl ACVS, Dipl ECVS (D)

**FOR FURTHER DETAILS OF THE SYMPOSIUM**

For information about the speakers and the symposium's location, please see http://esaotevetmrimeeting.org/congress/speakers.html

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## About Esaote Veterinary

Esaote is the global number one supplier of diagnostic veterinary imaging, the preferred supplier for veterinary schools, clinics and individual practices around the world. It is a multi-modality imaging supplier with an emphasis on quality, functionality, price and education, with a truly global service network.

With over 30 years' experience, Esaote is a worldwide leader in diagnostic veterinary imaging systems. From imaging for wildlife preservation projects to caring for family pets, our integrated solutions give animal healthcare providers the diagnostic imaging tools they need to deliver compassionate and comprehensive care. Active engagement with leading veterinarians and universities forms the core of our approach to veterinary diagnostic ultrasound and dedicated MRI imaging. Our dedicated veterinary user interface is highly valued by the veterinary community due to its rapid and precise imaging, connectivity and printing. We constantly strive to provide dedicated vet systems with up-to-date technologies and features that yield the highest level of clinical results in all veterinary applications and modalities.

## About Esaote

With €276.1 million consolidated sales in 2013 (of which 65% were generated from international markets), Esaote Group is a leading player in the biomedical equipment sector, with a particular focus on ultrasound, dedicated magnetic resonance, and software for managing the diagnostic process. Esaote has over 1,335 employees, 19% of which are employed in R&D activities. Esaote has industrial and research units in Italy (Genoa, Florence, Naples), the Netherlands (Maastricht) and China (Shenzhen). Esaote is internationally recognised as one of the "**Top Ten**" diagnostic imaging companies in the world and enjoys the co-operation of worldwide scientific and clinical research centres and universities. Esaote has filed more than 120 international patents.

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