

SEMS Medico-Legal and Anti-Doping Issues - a Pandora's Box

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Doping and medico-legal issues continue to occur at all levels of participation in sport with the 2016 Olympics and Paralympics providing the latest examples. For an update by expert senior legal and medical practitioners who are leaders in these areas, please join us at the Royal College of Surgeons in London for an interactive day that will provide current information, debate and lively professional discussion.

Professor Nicola Maffulli and **Mr Timothy Meakin** (7BR, Barrister) will co-chair this high level SEMS Medico-Legal and Anti-Doping Meeting. Building on the success of previous MedEduCare not-for-profit events, this day will be interdisciplinary, interactive and open to medical, legal and allied healthcare professionals working across all sports whilst aimed at senior practitioners. The day will be attended by up to 100 delegates. The programme has been developed recognising the Anti-Doping complexities facing practitioners working in sports medicine, and the technicalities of the legal structure within high level sports. The programme speakers are at the pinnacle of their specialties, and are world class authorities within their respective fields. In an Olympic/Paralympic year, and with many top international sporting events taking place, this high level educational event will be of interest to many medical and legal practitioners. The presence in the faculty of **Dr Alan Vernec**, WADA Medical Director, **Mr Jonathan Taylor**, Chair of the WADA Independent Observer team at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio and **Mr Nick Wojek**, UKAD Head of Science and Medicine is of particular value in relation to matters concerning the 2016 Games in Rio. This day offers a unique opportunity to gain invaluable knowledge and thrive on the inevitable debates.

Delegate Fee: The standard fee is **£180** (includes full-day attendance, all meeting documents, refreshments, hot buffet lunch, attendance certificate with FSEM and Bar Standards Board CPD accreditation and meeting DVD with meeting presentations uploaded, sent to you after the day)

Booking forms: are available from MedEduCare at barryghill@hotmail.com

Current Programme:

0800 Registration, Refreshments and Commercial Exhibition

0850 Meeting Welcome

Morning Session - Chair: Professor Nicola Maffulli

0900 What does good sports medicine governance look like

0930 Travelling abroad, what are the pitfalls with a team

1000 I did everything right, and it went wrong. Do I have a leg to stand on?

1030 Refreshments and Commercial Exhibition

1100 At what point should you trigger a suspicion about an athlete?

1130 Governance structures in professional sport

1200 Roundtable Discussion

1230 Lunch and Commercial Exhibition

Afternoon Session - Chair: Mr Timothy Meakin

1330 Introduction to the doping procedure in practice for athletes

1400 Avoiding Anti-Doping Pitfalls: Lessons from the Games

1430 Doping/Anti-Doping issues that should concern the Medical Profession

1500 Refreshments and Commercial Exhibition

1530 Doping Sanctions

1600 The WADA Code

1630 The responsibilities of the sports medicine physician under the World Anti-Doping Code: lessons from Sharapova et al

1700 Roundtable Discussion

1730 Meeting Close

Professor Nicola Maffulli

Dr Rod Jaques

Dr Robin Chakraverty

Ms Donna Bartley

Mr Nick Wojek

Dr Matthew Perry

All

Mr Timothy Meakin

Dr Alan Vernec

Ms Michele Verroken

Ms Patricia Leonard

Mr Ian Christian

Mr Jonathan Taylor

All

Professor Nicola Maffulli

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Professor Nicola Maffulli MD MS PhD FRCS (Orth) FRCP FFSEM is Professor of Musculoskeletal Surgery, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, University of Salerno, Italy and Professor of Sports and Exercise Medicine, Consultant Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgeon, Mile End Hospital. His main clinical interests lie in the management of lower limb sports injuries and in paediatric musculoskeletal sports medicine. Special interests include Anterior Cruciate Ligament and Patellar and Achilles tendons. His main research interests are the histology and biology of overuse tendon injuries and the effects of intensive training in young and older athletes. A florid research programme is under way with international collaborators, focusing on orthopaedic genetics, outcome measures and randomized controlled trials in trauma and orthopaedics, and tissue engineering of tendons.

Mr Timothy Meakin BA LLM Dip Law Barrister was called to the Bar in 1989 and is a member of No 7 Bedford Row Chambers, WC1, where he specialises in Medical, Personal Injury and Sports Law. His practice covers a wide range of medical and personal injury issues (including sports personnel, sports doctors, physiotherapists and coaches), and he acts for claimants, insurers and defence organisations. He is listed in the Legal 500 for sports law, clinical negligence and personal injury law. His sports law practice covers a wide range of sports, and in particular disciplinary cases, including doping cases and selection disputes. He also is regularly instructed on major sports related injury cases from individual sports personnel to major sporting bodies, (including the Rugby Football League, UK Athletics and British Cycling, British Bobsleigh Association). Tim writes on issues in peer reviewed publications on Sports Law and he is a member of the British Association for Sport and Law (BASL).

Ms Donna Bartley LLB (Law) joined Morgan Sports Law LLP in January 2015. Donna's practice focuses on dispute resolution. She has experience of acting for athletes and players from a broad range of sports in proceedings before sports governing bodies and the Court of Arbitration for Sport. She trained at a leading international law firm and then spent more than three years working in their professional and commercial disputes team. During that time, Donna worked on a number of football related litigation cases. She also has experience of High Court proceedings, including trial and appeal, and of alternative dispute resolution methods.

Dr Robin Chakraverty MB BCh DRCOG MSc DMSMed MLCOM DipSEM FFSEM(UK) has worked for British Athletics since 2009. During the Rio Olympic cycle he was Chief Medical Officer. Whilst continuing a one day commitment to athletics, since September 2016 he has taken on a 4 day a week role with the Football Association as the Lead Performance Doctor for the Senior England's Men Football team. During his time with British Athletics he managed illness and injury issues of Olympic and Paralympic track and field athletes and travelled with the team to multiple international competitions including two Olympic and Paralympic Games. Prior to his fulltime involvement in elite sport he worked as a medical officer in Her Majesty's Royal Navy (1989-96), trained as a primary care physician and then additionally in Osteopathic Medicine (1995-97), and worked as a Sports and Spinal Physician at the Royal Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Trust (1999-2008) where he developed an expertise in image-guided injection procedures.

Mr Ian Christian is a Partner specialising in medical negligence. He joined Irwin Mitchell in 2003, became an Associate in 2005 and a Partner in 2009. His expertise lies in cerebral and Erb's palsy injury claims, as well as still birth and wrongful birth cases. Ian also has significant expertise in neonatal claims, including hypoglycaemia, hyperbilirubinaemia and retinopathy of prematurity cases and has also conducted a number of high profile multiparty actions and represented two families whose cases were considered in the Health Care Commission's 2006 report into maternal deaths at Northwick Park Hospital. Following the outbreak of endocarditis at the Trent Cardiac Centre in 2009, he represented nine families at the inquests and with the civil claims thereafter. In November 2014, he concluded the civil claims arising from the deaths of residents at the Orchid View Care Home run by Southern Cross; having previously conducted the eight week inquest and continue to campaign for a public inquiry. Ian advised the Care Quality Commission on the content of the Care Act 2014. He also advised the Rugby Players Association on the concussion protocol which was implemented by the RFU at the start of the 2014/15 season.

Dr Rod Jaques FFSEM(UK) served as President of the Faculty of Sport and Exercise Medicine (UK) between 2012-15 and is now Immediate past President FSEM (UK). He is also Director of Medical Services at the English Institute of Sport (EIS) which provides medicine and sports science services to summer and winter Olympic athletes. He is based in the EIS South West Region at Bath University where many Olympic athletes train. Rod undertook the London Hospital Diploma course in Sports Medicine, qualifying with distinction and the David Ritchie prize in 1990. He has attended the Atlanta, Sydney, Athens, Beijing and London Olympics with Team GB and the Kuala Lumpur and Manchester Commonwealth Games with the England Team. From 1989-2005 he was Medical Advisor to the British Triathlon Association. Rod lectures on many aspects of sports medicine and has published in the British Journal of Sports medicine and the Lancet. He was appointed to the British Olympic Medical Centre, London in 1998 – 2001 and joined the EIS in 2003.

Ms Patricia Leonard BCL (UCD) BCL (Oxon) was called to the Bar in 1997 and is a member of 7 Bedford Row Chambers. Patricia's practice covers a variety of aspects of sports law and she accepts instructions from both individuals and organisations across a range of major professional and amateur sports. She provides advice and representation in sports-related personal injury and health and safety law, regulatory and disciplinary matters and in sports-related employment matters. Patricia has a particular interest in claims of vicarious liability of sports clubs and professional sporting organisations, having recently represented (as sole counsel) a group of claimants in the Supreme Court on the issue of the law of vicarious liability of employers: *Catholic Child Welfare Society & Ors v Various claimants & Ors* [2012] UKSC 56.

Dr Matthew Perry MBChB MRCP MFSEM MSc (Warwick) Management MSc (Bath) SEM was a General Practitioner in Albrighton Medical Practice in Shropshire from 1986-2015. Chair of Shropshire Primary Care Group 1999-2001. Wolves Club Doctor from 2002; Premier League Medical Advisor from 2014. Honorary Lecturer in Medical Ethics Swansea University since 2015. His present interests are twofold; the development and delivery of safe system in professional sport and the duty of care of doctors and directors as defined by statute, regulation, guidelines and codes of practice. His present focus is developing structures and systems involving the Premier League, Football League, FA and PFA to ensure evidence based risk quantification and risk mitigation through accountable governance at Club level.

Mr Jonathan Taylor BA Hons (Oxon), LL.M (UVA), is a partner and head of the Sport Group at City law firm Bird & Bird LLP. He advises a wide range of sports bodies (including international and national governing bodies, public agencies, event organisers, leagues, clubs, and their commercial partners and agents) on commercial matters (including the exploitation of broadcasting and sponsorship rights), contentious matters (including challenges to regulatory decisions, rights protection programmes, and commercial disputes), and regulatory and disciplinary issues (including in particular match-sanctioning, match-fixing, and doping issues). He is an experienced advocate, appearing regularly before the Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, as well as a range of internal sports tribunals. He sits as an arbitrator in sports disputes (as chairman of the International Baseball Federation's Anti-Doping Panel, under FA Rule K, and as a member of the Panel of Arbitrators of Sport Resolutions), and is also a member of the British Horseracing Authority's Ethics Committee and the World Anti-Doping Agency's Working Group on Legal Matters. He is co-editor (with Adam Lewis QC) of the leading UK sports law text, *Sport: Law and Practice* (3rd Edn 2014), and was Director of Studies in Sports Law at King's College, London from 2000 to 2007. He will be the Chair of the WADA Independent Observer team at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio.

Dr Alan Verneq MD Dip Sport Med is Medical Director of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) and brings to WADA a passion for sports, working to ensure that all athletes may engage in fair competition, for both their personal glory and for the glory of sport. Dr Verneq joined WADA in October 2009, as the Agency's Medical Director. A graduate of the University of California, San Diego (Bioengineering) and McGill University, Montreal (Medicine), Dr Verneq has worked extensively in clinical sport medicine and has taught at both l'Université de Montréal and McGill University in Montreal (Canada). Having extensive experience with elite-level sport, he has worked as team physician for several professional and national sport teams, at many international competitions, as well as served as physician for Team Canada at three Olympic Games. For the past 16 years, Dr Verneq has also served as Director of Athletics Canada.

Ms Michele Verroken LL.M (Sports Law) MA (Ed) BEd Hons Cert Ed is Founding Director of Sporting Integrity, the international sports consultancy specialising in integrity and governance advancement in sport. Clients include Commonwealth Games Federation, Sport Accord, International and National Sports Federations, Professional Sports (Golf, Mixed Martial Arts, ESports), as well as athletes, medical, media and law professionals. Initially a teacher and lecturer in human and sports sciences before taking a management role at The Sports Council in 1987, later UK Sport. Her first assignment with Sports Minister Colin Moynihan and Sebastian Coe was to create the UK's first Independent Anti-Doping Programme. As Director of Ethics and Anti-Doping, Michele achieved a number of other firsts (ISO certified procedures for Anti-Doping, Illicit/Recreational drugs programme, Drug Information Database and whistleblowing line). Michele is a member of several sports arbitration panels and visiting lecturer in Sports Ethics for several university MSc courses.

Mr Nick Wojek MSc BSc has eight years' experience in anti-doping and represents UKAD at scientific and medical meetings worldwide. As Head of Science and Medicine at UKAD, he provides scientific direction for the organisation's testing programme, leads on the implementation of the Athlete Biological Passport, and advises on policy recommendations to WADA in relation to the Prohibited List and Therapeutic Use Exemptions. He also works closely with the Drug Control Centre at King's College London, the UK's WADA-accredited laboratory.