

## Orthomanufacture fair to be held in Switzerland in spring 2023

Disappointed by the abandonment of the Orthotec trade fair held in Zurich at the time, Philippe Planche and Olivier Vecten, sales agents active in implant technologies for more than 30 years, decided a few years ago to relaunch a specialist trade fair.

Organised for the first time in 2017, Orthomanufacture is an event that combines exhibitions and conferences on manufacturing technologies for orthopaedic, traumatology, spine and dental implants. After the Saint-Etienne region this year, it is now Switzerland's turn to host the next edition, scheduled for spring 2023. The choice of alternating between these two countries for the event stems from a simple observation by the organisers: their respective industrial fabric make them experts in medical technologies.

### High-level conferences

Speakers at the conferences include scientists, surgeons and engineers who address topics such as surface treatments, biocompatibility of materials, friction/wear studies, development of additive manufacturing, MDR and regulatory affairs. The simultaneous presence of industrialists and health practitioners allows the latter to express their specific needs.

### ... and a convivial exhibition

The event also hosts an exhibition bringing together some 50 manufacturers, subcontractors and suppliers of implant manufacturing technologies, active in the fields of machining, casting, coatings, heat and surface treatments, 3D printing, controls and analysis, cleaning and packaging, among others.

Aiming to encourage exchanges, this event is based on a logic of collaboration and not competition. To reinforce this feeling of collegiality, all the stands are identical, thus avoiding highlighting one company or

another. The philosophy of the exhibition is truly solution-oriented. By learning about each other's areas of expertise, the different parties seek to understand why and how a part can be faulty, malfunction or even fail. The aim is to anticipate, identify and solve potential problems before they occur.

### Select partnerships

This next edition of Orthomanufacture will be supported by some excellent partners. On the one hand, Swiss Medtech, the Swiss medical technology association representing more than 700 companies, whose mission is to create an environment in which medical technology can provide state-of-the-art services for quality medical care. On the other hand, the RMS Foundation: a materials testing laboratory and research institute, this non-profit foundation offers a range of services including analytical and materials testing, consulting, training and technology transfer. The RMS Foundation conducts its research in interdisciplinary cooperation to optimise the treatment of the human musculoskeletal system. Testing services are provided on medical technology products and materials as well as on technical components.

The final choice of venue and dates for the event is being finalised and will be communicated as soon as possible, notably on the website [www.orthomanufacture.com](http://www.orthomanufacture.com)



Exposition conviviale où se retrouvent sous-traitants et fournisseurs de technologies de fabrication d'implants.

Gemütliche Ausstellung, auf der sich Zulieferer und Anbieter von Technologien zur Herstellung von Implantaten treffen.

A friendly exhibition where subcontractors and suppliers of implant manufacturing technologies come together.

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