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Dear Reader,

Welcome to our Summer Newsletter!

As our thoughts at this time of year inevitably turn to holidays with friends and family, we are working hard on the launch of two long-awaited products – the DonJoy PCL Post **Operative Brace** and **DJO Surgical's 3DKnee Total Knee System**.

While thousands of sports men and women around the World are in the final throws of competing for their individual country's Olympic selection, we are aware that a number of our readers will be heading out to Beijing as part of their country's medical support team, and that some of the athletes like the young British diver, **Tom Daley**, will be supported by our products.

Let's wish ALL those participating the very best of luck.

Whilst on the subject of sport, and as Italy retires from Euro 2008, we wish a speedy recovery to Fabio Cannavaro who wore DJO's **MC Walker** post operation after tearing ligaments during practice.

We hope you find this newsletter an interesting read. Wherever you go or whatever you are doing, we hope you have an enjoyable summer.

Yours sincerely,

Lieve Vanden Berghe
DJO Vice-President, International Marketing

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Meet DJO at

- Aug 24-28, SICOT/SIROT - 14th Triennial World Congress, HongKong
- Sept 7-11, EASD - European Association or the Study of Diabetes, Rome, Italy
- Sept 18-20, OARSI - World Congress on OsteoArthritis, Rome, Italy
- Sep 18-20, IFFAS 2008 - 3rd Joint Meeting of Intern. Federation of Foot and Ankle Societies, Bahia, Brazil
- Sept 18-20, ISPO - International Society of Prosthetics and Orthotics - Regional congress Central Europe, Portoroz, Slovenia
- Sept 26-27, AGA Meeting, Interlaken, Switzerland
- More events...

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Young British Diver, Tom Daley, has it all wrapped up



As training begins in earnest for the Olympics, the DonJoy team in the UK were delighted to discover the young British diving team hopefuls had a new "must have" accessory....

After a few incidents where young divers were suffering from joint inflammation and tendonitis, it became clear that a protection policy needed to be implemented.

In order to protect these potential Podium divers while their wrist growth plates are fusing, Kim White, High Performance Manager for British Diving, explains why it has become compulsory to wear wrist guards.

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RESEARCH FROM THE FIELD

St. Thomas' Hospital's renowned Haemophilia Centre publishes new findings on use of cold therapy



Reduced pain and swelling but no adverse effects with CryoCuff™ treatment of haemarthroses in severe haemophilia.

The latest research published in the May issue of Haemophilia, (Online Early) by one of the World's leading Haemophilia treatment and research centres, contains some reassuring findings for users of the PRICE (Protection, Rest, Ice, Compression and Elevation) regime who recommend the CryoCuff™ as part of the immediate factor replacement therapy protocol for acute management of haemophilic bleeding episodes in the home. The research, conducted by Ian d'Young at the Centre for Haemostasis and Thrombosis at the Haemophilia Reference Centre at London's St Thomas Hospital, set out to investigate the safety and usefulness of the CryoCuff™ device in the management of acute haemarthroses in the home setting.

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Brace reduces ankle injuries in paratroopers



An interesting piece of research has just been published by the US Army Centre for Health Promotion and Preventative Medicine in the April issue of Aviation, Space, and Environmental Medicine. The research was conducted over 100,000 parachute jumps through the Aberdeen Proving Ground and Madigan Army Centre.

Taking into account all external factors like wind speed, combat loads and time of day (night versus day), the study set out to prove the effectiveness of the use of parachute ankle braces among paratroopers during military parachute training.

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DJO COMPANY NEWS

New knee implant promises longer life



The 3DKnee™ Total Knee System is the result of over a decade of research and is the first knee implant specifically engineered to accommodate demands in contact, movement and pressure that occur in the knee joint after total knee replacement.

The discovery that ACL deficient knee motions are different to the mechanics of an ACL intact knee led to a decade long quest to accommodate these changes in total knee design.

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ESSKA 2008 report by Lucia Cardone, DJO's new International Product Manager

This year, more than 1,700 Health Care Professionals from 65 countries participated at **ESSKA 2008** in Porto.... And this was a perfect environment for us to introduce DJO International's new "House of Quality Brands" concept and present product ranges from all eight divisions (Aircast, CefarComplex, Chattanooga, DJO Surgical (formerly Encore), DonJoy, Empi, Ormed and Procure) at our new DJO booth.

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Long Awaited Launch of New PCL Post Operative Brace

This summer sees the long awaited launch of an exciting new addition to the DonJoy Knee Brace collection - **the PCL-Fource**. It is a unique product specifically designed to avoid tibial sagging or stress on the PCL graft post-surgery.

Over 250,000 PCL injuries occur worldwide each year. Many of these are from traffic accidents. Over 40% result in surgical solutions. The new DonJoy knee brace is a perfect addition for pre and post surgical support as well as offering uses for repair and reconstruction work.

Using the latest innovation in post-operative knee care, the PCL-Fource knee brace adopts DonJoy's patented "Reverse Fource Point hinge technology" which provides a dampening effect on knee flexes from 45o to 110o.

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SPEAKERS' CORNER

ESSKA launches new website!

ESSKA is proud to announce that our new ESSKA website www.esska.org went online in May 2008!

In line with the society's aims to distribute, promote and exchange scientific knowledge, the new website provides access to:

- Online education
- Educational tools
- Scientific papers
- Flash conferences
- Podcasts
- Address database
- Meetings & events
- International Links
- Members-only section
- And much more!

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TESTIMONIAL

More Diving - but this time underwater in an Aircast Walker!



Having had miserable weather last winter in Ontario, Canada, Bob and Wanda Russell were really looking forward to their scuba diving holiday in the Honduras Bay Islands. However, when Wanda broke her ankle in three places, their holiday was looking uncertain. Here Bob Russell describes how help came from an unlikely source...

"We have been scuba diving for about 15 years and had booked a two week vacation to the Honduras Bay Islands for the last week of January and first week of February 2008. Just before Christmas, Wanda slipped and fell on the ice breaking her ankle in three places which required surgery involving a metal plate and several pins. She was then confined to a wheelchair while wearing her first plastercast and advanced to crutches with her second.

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