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Focus on Education, Outreach: Doping Control Statistics for 2006-2007

(Ottawa, Ontario – May 16, 2007) – The Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES) conducted 3,481 doping control tests over the fiscal year from April 1, 2006 to March 31, 2007, our highest ever annual total. The majority were carried out under the Canadian Anti-Doping Program (2,728 tests), which is funded by Sport Canada. See the attached table for a breakdown by sport on tests conducted on Canadian athletes.

Within the domestic program, 21 anti-doping rule violations were reported. Nine athletes in the sports of athletics, bobsleigh (2), CIS football and hockey, duathlon, junior football (2), and racquetball were given sanctions ranging from one year ineligibility to lifetime ineligibility for sport. The remaining 12 violations were for cannabis and resulted in a warning and reprimand with no period of ineligibility. A table summarizing the 21 violations is attached, along with the current anti-doping violations registry.

The CCES also carried out doping control on a fee-for-service basis for various national and international sport organizations. A total of 494 tests were conducted at 53 international events held in Canada; highlights included the first ever World Outgames held in Montreal in August, the World Lacrosse Championships, the Women's World Rugby Championships, and World Cups in luge, bobsleigh, speed skating, and paralympic cross-country. The CCES also did testing on behalf of the World Anti-Doping Agency (125 tests) and the Association of National Anti-Doping Organizations (23 tests). These tests were conducted on both Canadian and international athletes.

An additional 111 tests were provided for national organizations, including 68 tests under contract to the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League and Quebec Midget AAA Development Hockey League. The agreement with the Canadian Hockey League (CHL) announced in October focused on educating trainers and players during the 2006-2007 season. The CCES and the CHL will use the off-season as an opportunity to continue education and prepare all players and personnel for testing in the 2007-2008 season.

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Education and Outreach: using technology to connect

The CCES maintains that education is a critical part of a comprehensive anti-doping program. During the last quarter of the period, the CCES made great strides in the areas of education and athlete outreach. In March, the CCES' Online Education course was launched to the 800 athletes in our registered testing pool. "The e-learning effort is intended to provide all the information athletes need to make the right decisions," said CCES President and CEO Paul Melia, "in a dynamic online format that minimizes disruption to athletes' schedules and reduces the cost of providing education to a widely distributed audience."

In an effort to reach another key audience, Canada's up-and-coming development athletes, the CCES sent a mission to the Canada Games in Whitehorse in February to familiarize the 2,500 participants with the spirit of ethical sport and the rules of doping control. Over 125 athletes completed a new interactive doping quiz, and over 3,000 athletes and coaches went away with a lip balm stick that promotes the DID global (Drug Information Database) at didglobal.com.

The DID global is an online substance inquiry service provided by the CCES to help athletes determine if a certain medication is prohibited in sport. The DID was upgraded in December and gained a new partner in the Olympic Council of Asia. It continues to be a very popular service, as shown in the graph below.

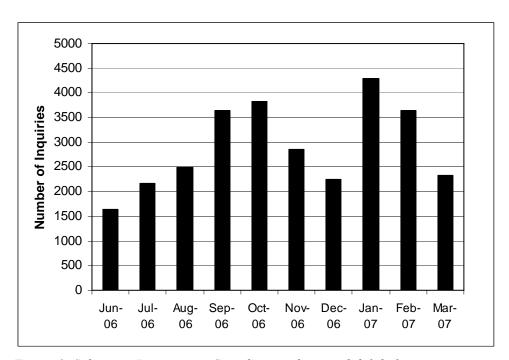


Figure 1: Substance Inquiries on Canadian products at didglobal.com

The CCES made other advances in educating athletes about the specifics of prohibited substances, with an eye to reducing the number of inadvertent positive tests. The NSF International Certified for SportTM program was launched in July 2006, with the goal of providing supplement manufacturers with the means to test and certify their products to be free of prohibited substances. To date, 12 products have been certified under the program.

A second program, an online education and awareness campaign targeted at young athletes, vividly illustrates the various possible consequences of marijuana use. The multimedia website was funded by Health Canada and developed in partnership with Canadian Interuniversity Sport, Canadian Colleges Athletic Association, Football Canada, Canada Games, Canadian Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, and the RCMP, and will be launched in the early summer of 2007.

Anti-Doping Policy: reinforcement and renewal

The Canadian Anti-Doping Program itself was strengthened this year by progress on blood testing and athlete whereabouts. CCES continued to prepare for a full-scale blood testing program by sharing best practices with other anti-doping organizations and certifying our Doping Control Officers for blood collection. Compliance continues to improve in whereabouts reporting after the CCES started to follow up on missing or incomplete whereabouts submissions in November. Athletes are increasingly using ADAMS, a convenient online tool provided by WADA, to submit and update their whereabouts.

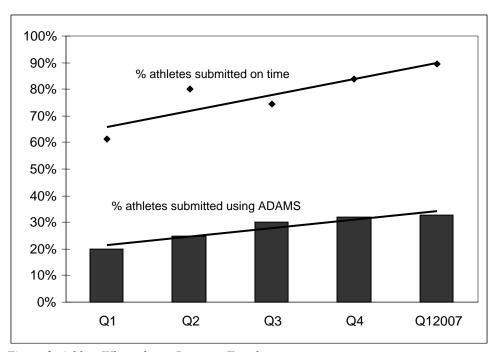


Figure 2: Athlete Whereabouts Program Trends

The World Anti-Doping Code, the foundation of the Canadian Anti-Doping Program, entered a renewal phase in January when a proposed draft was issued by the World Anti-Doping Agency. The CCES held major consultations with stakeholders in the Canadian sport community: an interpretation was distributed, followed by a public forum at the Ottawa Congress Centre that was broadcast live over the internet for national participation. Joseph de Pencier, Director of Ethics and Anti-Doping Services, noted, "The feedback we received showed strong support for the mandatory education component proposed in the draft Code, and we are counting on the sport community to demonstrate their commitment to education by promoting our new CCES Online Education program." The submission to WADA on March 30 was a comprehensive critique that will inform the next draft this June.

Lastly, the CCES moved offices at the very end of the fiscal year. Our new address is 350-955 Green Valley Crescent, Ottawa ON K2C 3V4, and our telephone numbers remain the same.

The CCES is an independent, national, non-profit organization. Our mission, to foster ethical sport for all Canadians, is carried out through research, promotion, education, detection and deterrence, as well as through programs and partnerships with other organizations.

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2006-2007 DOPING CONTROL TESTS BY PROGRAM

Test type	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Canadian Anti-Doping Program	499	575	774	880	2,728
Fee-For-Service					
International Federations/ Major Games	65	258	80	91	494
Domestic Sport Organizations	15	10	2	84	111
World Anti-Doping Agency	53	38	34	0	125
Association of National Anti- Doping Organizations	0	13	8	2	23
Total	632	894	898	1,057	3,481

2006-2007 ANTI-DOPING RULE VIOLATIONS

Athlete	Gender	Sport	Violation	Sanction
Boyle, Shari	F	Duathlon	Ephedrine	1 Year Ineligibility
Kelleher, James	М	CIS - Football	Refusal	2 Years Ineligibility
Kukucka, Eric	М	Junior Football	Stanazolol	2 Years Ineligibility
Lukin, Jarret	М	CIS - Hockey	Cocaine	2 Years Ineligibility
Molnar, Steve	M	Bobsleigh	Cannabis, methandienone and oxymetholone	Lifetime Ineligibility
Najeeb, Rashad	М	Junior Football	Testosterone	2 Years Ineligibility
Paes, Cristiano	М	Bobsleigh	T/E ratio 15.9	2 Years Ineligibility
Waselenchuk, Kane	М	Racquetball	Cannabis, cocaine	2 Years Ineligibility
Woodske, Derek	М	Athletics	Refusal	2 Years Ineligibility
Undisclosed	N/A	Athletics	Cannabis	Warning & Reprimand
Undisclosed	N/A	CCAA - Football	Cannabis	Warning & Reprimand
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Undisclosed	N/A	CIS - Football	Cannabis	Warning & Reprimand
Undisclosed	N/A	CIS - Football	Cannabis	Warning & Reprimand
Undisclosed	N/A	CIS - Football	Cannabis	Warning & Reprimand
Undisclosed	N/A	Junior Football	Cannabis	Warning & Reprimand
Undisclosed	N/A	Junior Football	Cannabis	Warning & Reprimand
Undisclosed	N/A	Junior Football	Cannabis	Warning & Reprimand
Undisclosed	N/A	Junior Football	Cannabis	Warning & Reprimand
Undisclosed	N/A	Water Polo	Cannabis	Warning & Reprimand

2006-2007 CANADIAN ANTI-DOPING PROGRAM : TESTS BY SPORT

Sport	IC	OOC	Total
Alpine Skiing	26	22	48
Archery	10	0	10
Athletics	131	203	334
Baseball	0	12	12
Basketball	9	17	26
Biathlon	13	17	30
Bobsleigh	12	62	74
Boccia	4	0	4
Boxing	21	23	44
Canoe / Kayak	40	103	143
CCAA - Basketball	11	12	23
CCAA - Football	30	38	68
CCAA - Soccer	8	0	8
CCAA - Volleyball	4	0	4
CIS - Basketball	16	15	31
CIS - Cross Country	13	0	13
CIS - Field Hockey	8	0	8
CIS - Football	41	62	103
CIS - Hockey	27	43	70
CIS - Rugby	6	0	6
CIS - Soccer	10	0	10
CIS - Swimming	6	0	6
CIS - Track & field	16	0	16
CIS - Volleyball	11	0	11
CIS - Wrestling	9	0	9
Cross Country Skiing	30	69	99
Curling	12	0	12
Cycling	44	84	128
Diving	16	12	28
Duathlon	4	0	4
Equestrian	10	0	10
Fencing	12	0	12
Field Hockey	0	23	23
Figure Skating	7	12	19
Freestyle Skiing	18	19	37
Goalball	6	0	6
Gymnastics - Artistic	9	21	30
Gymnastics - Rhythmic	15	0	15
Gymnastics - Trampoline	6	8	14
Handball	4	0	4
Hockey	11	51	62

Sport	IC	OOC	Total
Judo	23	32	55
Junior football	22	27	49
Karate	6	0	6
Luge	12	22	34
Modern Pentathlon	4	0	4
Racquetball	8	0	8
Ringette	10	0	10
Roller Sports - Speed	1	0	1
Rowing	30	96	126
Rugby	0	2	2
Sailing	6	0	6
Skeleton	6	8	14
Skiing - IPC Nordic	6	13	19
Sledge Hockey	0	9	9
Snowboard	19	22	41
Soccer	0	25	25
Softball	0	28	28
Speed Skating	51	72	123
Squash	10	0	10
Swimming	68	106	174
Synchronized Swimming	7	17	24
Taekwondo	18	6	24
Triathlon	24	29	53
Volleyball	1	11	12
Volleyball - Beach	4	6	10
Water Polo	15	26	41
Water Skiing	3	0	3
Weightlifting	10	36	46
Wheelchair Basketball	7	14	21
Wheelchair Curling	0	4	4
Wheelchair Rugby	6	27	33
Wheelchair Tennis	0	5	5
Wrestling	39	55	94
Total	1102	1626	2728

IC – In Competition
OOC – Out Of Competition

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Canadian Anti-Doping Program (CADP) Violation Registry / Registre des violations du Programme canadien antidopage (PCA)

Name/Nom	Gender/ Sex	Sport	Violation	End of in- eligibility period/ Fin de la période de suspension
Boyle, Shari	F	Duathlon	Ephedrine	03/09/07
Chevrier, Eric	M	Weightlifting / Haltérophilie	HCG, Testosterone	life/vie
Ennis, Jesse	M	Boxing / Boxe	Ephedrine	07/01/08
Frans, Joe	M	Curling	Cocaine	02/06/07
Harmer, Rob	M	Junior Football	Boldenone, Testosterone, Refusal	life/vie
Johnson, Ben	M	Athletics / Athlétisme	Testosterone, Hydrochlorothiazide	life/vie
Kelleher, James	M	CIS Football	Refusal	06/11/08
Kukucka, Eric	M	Football	Stanozolol	17/08/08
Lukin, Jarret	M	CIS / SIC: Hockey	Cocaine	28/01/08
McKay, Chris	M	Junior Football	Refusal	15/02/08
Medler, Derek	M	CIS / SIC: Football	Cocaine	08/11/07
Molnar, Steve	M	Bobsleigh	Cannabis, Methandienone, Oxymetholone	life/vie
Najeeb, Rashed	M	Football	Testosterone	13/02/09
Paes, Christiano	M	Bobsleigh	T/E Ratio 15.9	05/03/09
Robinson, Ainsley	M	Wrestling / Lutte	Cocaine	29/06/07
Sheppard, Chris	M	Cycling / Cyclisme	EPO	12/09/07
Sacchitiello, Stephen	M	CIS / SIC: Football	Nandrolone, Refusal	life/vie
Thibedeau, Cheryl	F	Athletics / Athlétisme	Nandrolone	life/vie
Théodore, José	M	Hockey	Finasteride	09/12/07
Walchuk, Michael	M	Boxing / Boxe	Cocaine, Refusal	life/vie
Waselenchuk, Kane	M	Racquetball	Cocaine, Cannabis	27/05/08
Woodske, Derek	M	Athletics / Athlétisme	Refusal	06/11/08
Zardo, Guilio	M	Bobsleigh	Refusal	31/08/07

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Violations Reported by Non-CADP Organizations but Recognized by the CADP / Violations déclarées par des organismes non PCA, mais qui sont reconnues par le PCA

Name/Nom	Gender/ Sex	Sport	Violation	End of in- eligibility period/ Fin de la période d'inadmissibilité
Befas, Nicholas	M	Bodybuilding/ Culturisme	Boldenone, Stanozolol	09/08/07
Binet, Israel	M	Bodybuilding/ Culturisme	Clenbuterol	life/vie
Fuss, Duane	M	Bodybuilding/ Culturisme	Stanozolol, Nandrolone, Testosterone	life/vie
Gottfried, Derrick	M	Bodybuilding/ Culturisme	Nandrolone	03/10/07
Grano, Robert	M	Bodybuilding/ Culturisme	Hydrochlorothiazide	09/08/07
Naugler, David	M	Bodybuilding/ Culturisme	Ephedrine, Nandrolone, Clenbuterol, Boldenone, Stanozolol	life/vie
Pierre, Jean-Joel	M	Bodybuilding/ Culturisme	Stanozolol	life/vie

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