

## **COURSES on STANDARDISED ULTRASOUND METHOD (SUM) of SUBCUTANEOUS ADIPOSE TISSUE (SAT)**

Recommended preparation: Müller W. et al. *Subcutaneous fat patterning in athletes: selection of appropriate sites and standardisation of a novel ultrasound technique*. Br J Sports Med 2016;50:45-54 (including appendix).

*Goals of the course parts:*

### **Basic SUM Course (First day):**

Accuracy and reliability obtainable with SUM, compared to other methods

Marking of the eight standardised sites for US measurements of SAT

Getting started with the US system

US measurement technique for measuring SAT

Image evaluations (*NISOS-BCA 5.0 Software*) of US measurement series

Questions and discussion

### **Basic SUM Course (Second day):**

Marking exercises and anthropometric data collection

Image capturing and appropriate setting of the B-mode ultrasound system

Capturing of US image series (two test persons, eight sites each)

US image evaluations of the US image series

Comparison of results (inter-observer comparisons, elimination of errors)

Competency check

Questions and discussion

### **Advanced SUM Course, Part 1 (Third Day):**

SUM measurements of several test persons: marking, image capturing, and image evaluations

Comparison of results (inter-observer comparisons, elimination of errors)

Use of all features of the *NISOS-BCA 5.0 Software*: data export and import modes, anonymous fsc- and pdf files, image formats, adding and correcting meta-data.

Direct measurement results, estimated values, SAT patterning

Competency check

SAT and body weight as health and performance factors

Optimisation of physical performance

Body composition - physical activity - nutrition (bio-energetics)

Anthropometric variables and indices as performance factors

Discussion of SUM study designs for lab and field

Possible applications to various groups of customers

General discussion

### **Advanced SUM Course, Part 2 (Post-course Training):**

(The software *NISOS-BCA-120* for the post-course training is included in the course fee).

SUM measurement of 8 persons

The fsc- and pdf-files obtained will be checked by the course leader.

Feedback and discussion

**Certificates issued by IASMS:** Basic SUM course  
Advanced SUM course

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