



Santen Announces Sponsorship of IBSA Blind Football World Grand Prix for the Second Consecutive Year

March 12, 2021, Osaka, Japan - Santen Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (hereinafter, Santen) has announced today that it will sponsor the IBSA Blind Football World Grand Prix 2021. It is an internationally recognized blind football tournament to be held by the Japan Blind Football Association (Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo; hereinafter, JBFA) and International Blind Sports Federation (hereinafter, IBSA) at Shinagawa Municipal Tennozu Park from May 30 to June 5, 2021. The name of the tournament is specified as "Santen IBSA Blind Football World Grand Prix 2021 in Shinagawa" by the sponsorship.

Santen has been the title sponsor of the tournament since 2020 and this will be the second time sponsoring the tournament. The tournament will be held without spectators in consideration of the COVID-19 situation and all matches will be broadcast live. Further details of the tournament, including the participating countries, will be announced by JBFA in due course.

● Outline of the Santen IBSA Blind Football® World Grand Prix 2021 in Shinagawa

Event name	Santen IBSA Blind Football® World Grand Prix 2021 in Shinagawa
Period	Sunday, May 30 to Saturday, June 5, 2021
Venue	Shinagawa Municipal Tennozu Park (2-6-23 Higashi Shinagawa, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo)
Main organizers	IBSA, JBFA
Special co-organizer	Shinagawa-ku
Co-organizers	International Blind Football Foundation, Japanese Para-Sports Association, Japanese Paralympic Committee
Title sponsor	Santen
Participating countries	To be announced

Please note that the schedule is subject to change depending on the future situation of COVID-19.

● Results of past tournaments

2018 – Winner: Argentina, 2nd place: England, 3rd place: Turkey (Japan: 5th place)
2019 – Winner: Argentina, 2nd place: England, 3rd place: Spain (Japan: 4th place)
2020 – Event cancelled to prevent the spread of COVID-19

● Latest world blind football rankings (as of January 2021)

<https://www.ibsasport.org/sports/files/1211-General-IBSA-Blind-Football-Ranking-as-of-1st-January-2021.pdf>

About Santen

As a specialized company dedicated to ophthalmology, Santen carries out research, development, marketing, and sales of pharmaceuticals, over-the-counter products, and medical devices. Santen is the market leader for prescription ophthalmic pharmaceuticals in Japan and its products now reach patients in over 60 countries. With scientific knowledge and organizational capabilities nurtured over a 130-year history, Santen provides products and services to contribute to the well-being of patients, their loved ones and consequently to society. For more information, please visit Santen's website (www.santen.com).

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