

PRESS RELEASE

WISE and EB Neuro sign exclusive agreement for distribution of the WISE Cortical Strip in Italy

Milan, 6 September 2023. WISE Srl, a pioneering medical device company specializing in advanced implantable electrodes for neuromonitoring, neuromodulation, and brain-machine interfacing (BMI), proudly announces the signing of an exclusive agreement with EB Neuro SpA for the distribution of the WISE Cortical Strip (WCS®) in the Italian market.

EB Neuro, a leading Italian provider of cutting-edge neurophysiological and neurodiagnostic solutions, is set to distribute the WISE Cortical Strip, a groundbreaking single-use medical device designed for Intraoperative Neurophysiological Monitoring (IONM).

CE marked and FDA cleared, the WISE Cortical Strip marks the debut of the WISEneuro® Monitoring product family. This innovative product utilizes stretchable platinum contacts embedded in a soft and thin silicone film, making it highly ergonomic and conformable to the brain surface. Unlike traditional cortical electrodes with stiff metal discs, the WISE Cortical Strip's design ensures unique softness, thinness, conformability, and stability on the brain surface, revolutionizing brain monitoring technology.

The efficacy of the WISE Cortical Strip has been validated through a successful multicentric pre-market clinical study in Europe, known as the WIN study (NCT03731455). The study demonstrated the product's safety, superior performance in terms of electrical impedance under physiological conditions, and exceptional usability. These results have been published in the journal *Clinical Neurophysiology* (<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.clinph.2022.07.497>).

Commenting on the partnership, Luca Ravagnan, CEO of WISE, expressed his enthusiasm, stating, "We are thrilled to have reached this agreement with EB Neuro. Combining the unique characteristics of our product with EB Neuro's leadership in the Italian neuromonitoring market sets the stage for bringing our product's clinical benefits to an even larger number of patients."

Marco Rossi, CEO of EB Neuro, added, "This collaboration represents a significant step forward for Italian market of advanced neurophysiology solutions. WISE's innovative technology aligns perfectly with our mission to provide top-notch neurodiagnostic products and services. Together, we will equip physicians with an additional and innovative device for stronger patient care and outcomes."

With this exclusive distribution agreement, WISE and EB Neuro are poised to make the WISE Cortical Strip available to clinical centers throughout Italy, contributing to elevate the standard of care for patients by the use of state-of-the-art brain monitoring technology.

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About WISE:

WISE Srl is at the forefront of developing a truly innovative generation of electrodes for neuromonitoring, neuromodulation, and brain-machine interfacing, driven by its proprietary Supersonic Technology.

In the domains of neuromonitoring and neuromodulation, electrodes and leads must be surgically implanted on neural tissues such as the brain and spinal cord to either apply electrical stimuli or record electrical activity. Leveraging WISE's Supersonic Technology, the company manufactures electrodes consisting of stretchable electronic circuits integrated into ultra-thin elastomeric foils. As a result, WISE's electrodes possess exceptional ergonomics, conformability, softness, and thinness, facilitating superior adhesion, minimal invasiveness, and optimal adaptability to neural tissues.

Beyond neuromonitoring, WISE is actively involved in neuromodulation and is currently developing its revolutionary WISEneuro® Modulation product family. The flagship product in this lineup is the Heron® lead, a groundbreaking expandable percutaneous paddle lead specifically designed for Spinal Cord Stimulation (SCS). Pain therapists and neurosurgeons will be able for the first time to implant percutaneously a directional and anatomic conforming SCS leads, marking a significant advancement in patient care.

WISE was founded by a team of material scientists from the University of Milan, and it received initial funding from prominent entities such as Agite!, Atlante Seed, Atlante Ventures, b-to-v, HTGF, Xyence Capital, New Frontier, and private investors. Moreover, in 2020, the company successfully closed a Series C funding round with new investors including CDP Venture Capital SGR, Indaco Ventures I Fund, and EUREKA! Venture SGR. Since 2016, WISE has established its production facility in Cologno Monzese, Milan, Italy, and maintains an office in Berlin, Germany.

For more information about WISE and its pioneering advancements in neurotechnology, please visit: www.wiseneuro.com.

About EB Neuro:

EB Neuro is an Italian company specializing in advanced neurophysiological and neurodiagnostic solutions. Since 80s, it has been a key player in medical devices and software, supporting clinicians, researchers, and healthcare professionals in understanding and diagnosing neurological disorders.

EB Neuro's focus is on cutting-edge technology for neurophysiological monitoring, brain mapping, diagnosing neurological conditions and navigated transcranial magnetic therapy. Its products are widely used in clinical settings, research labs, and academic institutions worldwide, advancing neuroscience and patient care.

EB Neuro offers a comprehensive portfolio, including EEG, EMG, ECG, rTMS equipment, and other neurodiagnostic devices, delivering accurate data for conditions like epilepsy, sleep disorders, and movement disorders.

Beyond hardware, its innovative software enables comprehensive data analysis and brain mapping, empowering medical professionals to interpret complex neurological data effectively.

Committed to research and development, EB Neuro continually enhances their products to meet the evolving needs of the medical community. Its dedication to innovation and quality has earned it a reputable position in the global healthcare industry.

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