Leonardo DR mini Reference

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"The portable **Leonardo DRw mini** digital X-ray suitcase by OR Technology has become an indispensable companion for my daily work", says Dr Hubertus Lutz.

Dr Lutz (photo), a veterinarian specialising in equine medicine and surgery, is a passionate horse expert and a publicly appointed consultant for the valuation of horses. He has been working in this field for over 40 years. As an independent specialist in equestrian and veterinary matters, he headed the Horse Clinic in Aschenheim for more than 20 years. In 2003 he was appointed as an expert on the valuation of horses by the government of Upper Bavaria and he is still assisting in the Bavarian veterinary association and other committees.



A few months ago Dr Lutz upgraded to a digital system. By now, he can no longer imagine doing without it. He is relieved that the cost intensive reading of imaging cassettes is no longer necessary. Being able to work at any location due to the battery powered **Leonardo DRw mini** greatly facilitates his work. With the addional batteries, the portable X-ray system can be operated for at least four hours without any external power. This is particularly useful in case of out-patient emergencies which Dr Lutz often has to attend to at horse racing courses. If necessary, the batteries can be charged with the included charging cable (12/24 volt) in the car while driving.

Asked to name the most useful of the many vet tools and features of the system's *dicomPACS®DX-R* acquisition and diagnostic evaluation software, he replied: "All the functions are important and they are all being used". As an example he mentioned the lameness examination which he carries out when assessing movement disorders in horses. *dicomPACS®DX-R* lets him view the skeleton as well as individual bones and joints of the patient so that any changes like chips, OCD etc. or fractures and even transmutations (e.g. arthrosis) can easily be detected, allowing for a quick therapy recommendation for that particular horse.



In his capacity as a publicly appointed horse valuation expert, Dr Lutz performs pre-purchase examinations on a regular basis. He confirms that horse owners appreciate receiving a patient CD created by *dicomPACS*[®]*DX-R* once the examination is concluded. Even while the CD is being burned, the aquisiton and diagnostic evaluation software continues to operate without any problems.

In conclusion, Dr Lutz mentions another reason why he decided to purchase the **Leonardo DR mini**: "Of course my decision was based on the unit's benefits and the various functions of the software, but I would also like to thank OR Technology and their distribution partner, the industrial society of German veterinarians (WDT) for their excellent support and advice."



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