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IMPRESSIVE FIELD OF INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC CYCLISTS ANNOUNCED FOR 2010 AMGEN TOUR OF CALIFORNIA PROFESSIONAL CYCLING ROAD RACE

Race Draws Top Cyclists, Including Seven-Time Tour de France Champion Lance Armstrong and Three-Time Defending Champion Levi Leipheimer

BIG BEAR LAKE, Calif. May 7, 2010 –The world-class roster of teams and cyclists* scheduled to participate in the 2010 Amgen Tour of California has been announced by race presenter AEG. An internationally sanctioned, professional cycling road race, the 2010 Amgen Tour of California will host 16 teams, comprised of 127 riders, from 23 countries for the fifth-annual race taking place May 16-23.

The 2010 Amgen Tour of California will bring an exceptional concentration of cycling talent to compete across more than 800 miles of the state of California from Nevada City to Thousand Oaks, home of race sponsor Amgen. Attracting an unprecedented field of riders from around the world, cyclists hail from countries as far away as Belgium, Finland, Spain, France, Germany, New Zealand and Sweden.

“We are proud of the powerful and talented group of international and domestic cyclists set to participate in the 2010 Amgen Tour of California,” said Andrew Messick, president of AEG Sports. “From Tour de France champions to Olympic medalists and world champions, this field is one of the best that has ever competed on American soil. The growing reputation of the Amgen Tour of California has resulted in a very accomplished field of cyclists, which should make for a great race.”

The field will include riders from well-known teams such as Team RadioShack, Team HTC-Columbia, Quick Step, Team Saxo Bank and Garmin-Transitions, who will all be competing to take the title in the overall team competition. Some of the notable riders planned to begin the race in Nevada City, Calif. on May 16 include:

**Team rosters are subject to change*

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Tour de France Overall Podium Finishers

- Lance Armstrong (USA), Team RadioShack; first 1999-2005, third 2009
- Andy Schleck (LUX), Team Saxo Bank; second 2009
- Levi Leipheimer (USA) Team RadioShack; third 2007

Tour de France Stage Winners

- Lance Armstrong (USA), Team RadioShack (22)
- Mark Cavendish (GBR), Team HTC-Columbia (10)
- Tom Boonen (BEL), Quick Step (6)
- Fabian Cancellara (SUI), Team Saxo Bank (5)
- Stuart O'Grady (AUS), Team Saxo Bank (3)
- Yaroslav Popovych (UKR), Team RadioShack (3)
- Jens Voigt (GER), Team Saxo Bank (3)
- Heinrich Haussler (GER), Cervélo TestTeam (1)
- David Zabriskie (USA), Garmin-Transitions (1)

World Champions

- Lance Armstrong (USA), Team RadioShack
- Lars Boom (NED), Rabobank
- Tom Boonen (BEL), Quick Step
- Janez Brajkovic (SLO), Team RadioShack
- Fabian Cancellara (SUI), Team Saxo Bank
- Mark Cavendish (GBR), Team HTC-Columbia
- Tom Leezer (NED), Rabobank
- Yaroslav Popovych (UKR), Team RadioShack
- Michael Rogers (AUS), Team Columbia-Highroad

Olympic Medalists

- Lance Armstrong (USA), Team RadioShack
- Theo Bos (NED), Cervélo TestTeam
- Fabian Cancellara (SUI), Team Saxo Bank
- Levi Leipheimer (USA), Team RadioShack
- Bret Lancaster (AUS), Cervélo TestTeam
- Stuart O'Grady (AUS), Team Saxo Bank
- Hayden Roulston (NZL), Team HTC Columbia

Current National Champions (by country)

- Michael Rogers (AUS), Team Columbia-Highroad, Time Trial
- Tom Boonen (BEL), Quick Step, Road Race
- Matti Breschel (DEN), Team Saxo Bank, Road Race
- Lars Ytting Bak (DEN), Team HTC-Columbia, Time Trial
- Andy Schleck (LUX), Team Saxo Bank, Road Race
- Stef Clement (NED), Rabobank, Time Trial
- Jeremy Vennell (NZL), Bissell, Time Trial
- Janez Brajkovic (SLO), Team RadioShack, Time Trial
- Fabian Cancellara (SUI), Team Saxo Bank, Road Race
- George Hincapie (USA), BMC Racing Team, Road Race
- David Zabriskie (USA), Garmin-Transitions, Time Trial

American Stage Race Champions

- Levi Leipheimer (Team RadioShack), 2007-2009 **Amgen Tour of California**
- David Zabriskie (Garmin-Transitions), 2009 Tour of Missouri
- George Hincapie (BMC Racing Team), 2007 Tour of Missouri
- Janez Brajkovic (Team RadioShack), 2007 Tour de Georgia
- Tom Danielson (Garmin-Transitions), 2005 Tour de Georgia
- Lance Armstrong (Team RadioShack), 2004 Tour de Georgia
- Chris Horner (Team RadioShack), 2003 Tour de Georgia

The **2010 Amgen Tour of California** roster includes the following 16 professional cycling teams. The seven ProTour teams compete regularly on the UCI's ProTour race calendar, including the Grand Tours of Europe – Tour de France, Giro d'Italia and Vuelta a España.

Pro Tour Teams

1.) Garmin-Transitions (USA)

Steven Cozza (USA)
Thomas Danielson (USA)
Ryder Hesjedal (CAN)
Robbie Hunter (RSA)
Thomas Peterson (USA)
Peter Stetina (USA)
Matthew Wilson (AUS)
David Zabriskie (USA)

2.) Liquigas-Doimo (ITA)

Francesco Bellotti (ITA)
Francesco Chicchi (ITA)
Davide Cimolai (ITA)
Manuel Quinzato (ITA)
Peter Sagan (SVK)
Ivan Santaromita (ITA)
Brian Vandborg (DEN)
Elia Viviani (ITA)

3.) Quick Step (BEL)

Carlos Barredo Llamazales (ESP)
Tom Boonen (BEL)
Kurt Hovelynck (BEL)
Kevin Hulsmans (BEL)
Nikolas Maes (BEL)
Andreas Stauff (GER)
Jurgen Van De Walle (BEL)
Maarten Wynants (BEL)

4.) Rabobank (NED)

Lars Boom (NED)
Stef Clement (NED)
Steven Kruijswijk (NED)
Sebastian Langeveld (NED)
Thomas Leezer (NED)
Paul Martens (GER)
Grischa Niermann (GER)
Maarten Tjallingii (NED)

5.) Team HTC-Columbia (USA)

Lars Ytting Bak (DEN)
Mark Cavendish (GBR)
Bernhard Eisel (AUT)
Tony Martin (GER)
Mark Renshaw (AUS)
Michael Rogers (AUS)
Hayden Roulston (NZL)
Tejay Van Garderen (USA)

6.) Team RadioShack (USA)

Lance Armstrong (USA)
Janez Brajkovic (SLO)
Christopher Horner (USA)
Levi Leipheimer (USA)
Jason McCartney (USA)
Dmitriy Muravyev (KAZ)
Yaroslav Popovych (UKR)
José Luis Rubiera Vigil (ESP)

7.) Team Saxo Bank (DEN)

Matti Breschel (DEN)
Fabian Cancellara (SUI)
Jakob Fuglsang (DEN)
Juan José Haedo (ARG)
Stuart O'Grady (AUS)
Andy Schleck (LUX)
Andre Steensen (DEN)
Jens Voigt (GER)

Pro Continental Teams

8.) BMC Racing Team (USA)

Chad Beyer (USA)
Marcus Burghart (GER)
Chris Butler (USA)
Mathias Frank (SUI)
George Hincapie (USA)
Alexander Kristoff (NOR)
Jackson Stewart (USA)
Simon Zahner (SUI)

9.) Cervélo TestTeam (SUI)

Theo Bos (NED)
Joao Correia (POR)
Philip Deignan (IRL)
Heinrich Haussler (GER)
Jeremy Hunt (GBR)
Brett Lancaster (AUS)
Oscar Pujol Munoz (ESP)
Dominique Rollin (CAN)

Continental Teams

10.) Bissell (USA)

Rob Britton (CAN)
Daniel Holloway (USA)
Andy Jacques-Maynes (USA)
Ben Jacques-Maynes (USA)
Peer Latham (NZL)
Paul Mach (USA)
Jeremy Vennell (NZL)
Kyle Wamsley (USA)

11.) Fly V Australia (AUS)

Jonathan Cantwell (AUS)
Jai Crawford (AUS)
Benjamin Day (AUS)
Charles Dionne (CAN)
Aaron Kemps (AUS)
Bernard Sulzberger (AUS)
Jay Robert Thomson (RSA)
Phil Zajicek (USA)

12.) Jelly Belly Presented by Kenda (USA)

Jonathan Chordoff (USA)
William Dicknson (AUS)
Michael Friedman (USA)
Charles Bradley Huff (USA)
Jeremy Powers (USA)
Kiel Reijnen (USA)
Will Routley (CAN)
Bernard Van Ulden (USA)

13.) Kelly Benefit Strategies (USA)

Ryan Anderson (CAN)
Jesse Anthony (USA)
Dan Bowman (USA)
Alex Candelario (USA)
Reid Mumford (USA)
Neil Shirley (USA)
David Veilleux (CAN)
Scott Zwizanski (USA)

14.) SpiderTech Powered by Planet Energy (CAN)

David Boily (CAN)
Guillaume Boivin (CAN)
Lucas Euser (USA)
Martin Gilbert (CAN)
Kevin Lacombe (CAN)
Bruno Langlois (CAN)
Francois Parisien (CAN)
Andrew Randell (CAN)

15.) Team Type 1 (USA)

Davide Frattini (ITA)
Ken Hanson (USA)
Aldo Ino Ilesic (SLO)
Christopher Jones (USA)
Valery Kobzarenko (UKR)
Javier Megias Leal (ESP)
Thomas Rabou (NED)
Scott Stewart (USA)

16.) UnitedHealthcare Presented by Maxxis (USA)

Christopher Baldwin (USA)
Matthew Crane (USA)
Marc De Maar (NED)
Max Jenkins (USA)
Karl Menzies (AUS)
Andrew Pinfold (CAN)
Rory Sutherland (AUS)
Bradley White (USA)

Stages for the **2010 Amgen Tour of California** include:

- Stage 1: Sunday, May 16 – Nevada City to Sacramento
- Stage 2: Monday, May 17 – Davis to Santa Rosa
- Stage 3: Tuesday, May 18 – San Francisco to Santa Cruz
- Stage 4: Wednesday, May 19 – San Jose to Modesto
- Stage 5: Thursday, May 20 – Visalia to Bakersfield
- Stage 6: Friday, May 21 – Palmdale to Big Bear Lake
- Stage 7: Saturday, May 22 – Los Angeles Individual Time Trial
- Stage 8: Sunday, May 23 – Thousand Oaks/Westlake Village/Agoura Hills

For more information about the Amgen Tour of California, please visit www.amgentourofcalifornia.com.

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About the Amgen Tour of California

The largest cycling event in America, the 2010 Amgen Tour of California is a Tour de France-style cycling road race, presented by AEG, that challenges the world's top professional cycling teams to compete along a demanding course through the state from May 16-23.