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Motorsport / 9 days until the start of the 2006 DTM At home in different worlds

- **Dr Colin Kolles between medicine and motorsport**

When Dr Colin Kolles looks at his diary, it shows that 2006 has a big load in the form of two of the world's highest-calibre racing series in store for him. His Audi customer team Futurecom TME is making its debut of entering two A4 DTM cars for Belgian Vanina Ickx and the Dutch independent driver Olivier Tielemans in the DTM. As team principal of MF1 Racing, Dr Kolles is active in Formula 1 as well. Alexander Shnaider appointed him to direct the British Formula 1 team acquired from Eddie Jordan.

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Adding up the races in DTM and Formula 1 means that 27 event weekends between March and October are awaiting Dr Collins, who lives in Ingolstadt, and he plans to attend them all. "Of course this is a high double burden but that is part of my job and I enjoy it. My goal is to give young drivers career opportunities," says the manager, who was born in 1967. After studying dentistry, Dr Kolles started his own clinic before entering German motorsport in 2000 with a Formula 3 team. Up to the 2004 season he continued to work as a dentist but motorsport has long been demanding his undivided attention. Yet sometimes both of these paths cross: When in August 2005 Midland driver Tiago Monteiro started having a tooth ache on the Friday of the Turkish Grand Prix, Dr Kolles quickly decided to perform the surgery himself...

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