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Many of Llobell’s former opponents became Formula One stars, and he previously tested cars alongside Sebastian Vettel and Lewis Hamilton, both of whom went on to become world champions.

Eventually there came a time when Llobell had to choose between a career as a clinician and pursuing the path to Formula One. A bad crash, among other factors, led him to opt for dentistry, and he has not looked back since. Interestingly, he says, the two fields are not as different as one might think.

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**Dual specialties, one implant provider**

At the heart of Llobell’s progression are the positive treatment outcomes he achieves for his patients. A Nobel Biocare customer since the start of his career, Llobell says the company’s products have helped give him the confidence to use increasingly progressive treatment protocols.

“I started working with Nobel Biocare during my residency in both periodontics and periodontal prosthetics. I chose Nobel Biocare because it is both an established and leading implant company that offers products for both specialties,” he explained.

Llobell added: “A number of important clinicians use their products on a daily basis, and that gives me confidence in the brand.”

Llobell is particularly impressed with the new NobelParallel Conical Connection implant. “I find the NobelParallel Conical Connection implant easy to use in multiple clinical scenarios. It has a straightforward drilling sequence, which makes it easy to maintain the direction during insertion, while also giving me the chance to achieve primary stability without surprises.”

Llobell is proof that with the appropriate skills, partners and advice, the sky is the limit. He is part of the lineup at the 2016 Nobel Biocare Global Symposium in New York that reads like a who’s who of implant dentistry. “To be sharing the podium with some of Nobel Biocare’s top speakers is an honor. I am really looking forward to it.”

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**A leader of tomorrow**

Llobell was named a member of the Emerging Leaders program by the Foundation for Oral Rehabilitation (FOR), which he says helped him develop as a speaker. “Being part of FOR’s Emerging Leaders group was a great experience for me as I had the chance to get in touch with world-renowned clinicians who were more than happy to give me —and the other young clinicians involved—a hand in every aspect of clinical dentistry, as well as lecturing advice.”

With its new Guide to Growth program, Nobel Biocare is hoping to help more aspiring implantologists follow Llobell’s example. Combining advanced clinical training with practice management advice, this development program seeks to help ambitious clinicians fulfill their potential by growing their implant practices.

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* A former champion racing car driver turned implantologist, Dr. Arturo Llobell has established himself as a respected clinician in his native Spain and as a sought-after speaker at major dental events around the world.