



Press Release: ADAC Opel 6 Hour Ruhr – Pokal – Rennen Pre-Race Report

Hey! This week I am off to Germany to compete in the ADAC Opel 6 Hour Ruhr – Pokal – Rennen race on the legendary Nurburgring. I am really looking forward to getting back to the Nurburgring to drive the **Rotek Racing BMW Z4**. My co-driver for this weekend will be my long time IMSA rival and occasional teammate, Jon Miller. Jon will be getting his first taste of the Nurburgring while we try to bring home another victory for the **Rotek Racing** team.

The ADAC Opel 6 Hour Ruhr – Pokal – Rennen race is the seventh race in the VLN endurance race series held at the Nurburgring. VLN stands for “Langstrecken Meisterschaft Nurburgring”. I am not sure how they get the acronym “VLN” from Langstrecken Meisterschaft Nurburgring, but it probably makes sense if you can read German. I do not read German, but fortunately there is a wealth of information about the series and the Nurburgring available (in English) on the VLN website at www.vln.de.

For this weekend, I am proud to be representing **Children's Tumor Foundation Racing4Research** program. **Children's Tumor Foundation** is dedicated to funding research to find effective treatments for neurofibromatosis, also known as NF. NF is a genetic disorder that causes tumors to grow on nerves in the body and affects one in 3000 people - male, female and all races equally. **Children's Tumor Foundation** developed the **Racing4Research** program to increase awareness of NF and raise funds for research through professional motorsports. For more information, please visit www.ctf.org or www.racing4research.org. Please support **Children's Tumor Foundation** with a donation at <http://ctf.kintera.org/r4r2016/thilenius>.



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