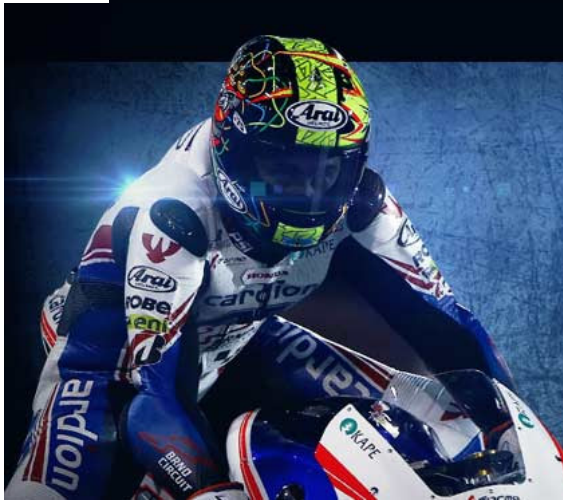




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Abraham opens weekend in Austin with eighteenth position

The Czech rider Karel Abraham remains in the eighteenth position after first day of Grand Prix of Americas in Austin, Texas. The time 2:07,053 means a loss of 3,563 seconds to the fastest Marc Marquez and to the closest rider on the same bike to Hiroshi Aoyama a loss of just 12 thousandths of second.



Karel Abraham

„There is a tough racing weekend in front of us. Redding and Hayden are really fast, but we are going to do everything to catch up them. I still have to consider my shoulder because here in Austin there's a lot of left turns and it limited me a little bit. We focused on testing of tyres today. We are at the beginning but I believe that we are on the right way“



Marco Grana

chief mechanic, Cardion AB Motoracing

„ Today we focused on testing of tyre mixture and we begun work on the setting of the bike. Bridgestone gave us a newtype of soft tyres, but for now, we found as better option the tyre from the last year. The key for us is to find appropriate setting of rear of the bike; with front we are quite satisfied. For ~~tomorrow~~ we have as a goal to get to the time around 2:06 and get closer to Hayden and Redding, so we could fight for points in the race. Of course we have to consider to Karel's shoulder. The circuit in Austin is not ideal, there's a lot of left turns that put a strain of the injured shoulder.“