Tech Yoga: An Introduction to an Exclusive Combination of Technology and Yoga

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Editorial

Given an opportunity to write an editorial opinion for Journal of Yoga and Physiotherapy (JYP), I acknowledge the contribution of all the author’s, reviewers, editors and other team members of the journal. I am thankful to all contributor’s for submitting their valuable research works. Yoga is an age-old discipline which means union, connect, join or balance the physical, mental, and spiritual practices. Tech-yoga is latest development in field of yoga. Tech-yoga is the terminology which means giving this age-old practice a modern spin i.e. integrating technology with yoga to make practicing yoga more easy and comfortable. Tech-yoga has encouraged even more people to give yoga a try especially the youth. Technology has played a role in this increase, having made yoga more accessible, and with a click put millions of practitioners from all over the world in touch. Tech-yoga is good as it gets more and more people doing yoga throughout the world. Some of the high-tech integration with yoga are yoga Apps, yoga software, high-tech gear, yoga clothing, yoga video games.

For Tech-yoga enthusiasts, there are several products available in the market which will enhance their experience of yoga through technology. Aside from apps and websites dedicated to yoga, there are several hardware devices which serve the purpose. Here are a few technological advances that are making rollers within the tech-yoga community.

Yoga apps

Tons of yoga apps are available online that teach all kinds of yoga, which help you set specific goals, challenge friends, share progress, make your own yoga community, blogs etc. Further these apps can pair with several hardware gadgets for improving your yoga experience. These apps can easily be paired with sensor integrated yoga pants, yoga mats, yoga bags, shoes etc. for data collection.

Yoga software

There are yoga software that helps you design yoga routines. There’s also yoga software that helps yoga studios and yoga teachers run their yoga businesses. Both types of yoga software help end-users tremendously.

Yoga DVDs or Online yoga streaming

DVDs or online yoga streaming video can be watched any time in the convenience of own home. Moreover, some people starting yoga may not feel comfortable going to a class but want to start yoga. Yoga DVDs is a terrific way to introduce people to yoga.

High-tech yoga gear

Sensor woven high-tech yoga Gear is becoming more and more popular among tech-yoga enthusiasts. A few popular high-tech yoga gear are yoga bags, accessories, such as yoga mats, blocks, bolsters etc. These High-Tech Yoga Gear can easily be paired with yoga guidance apps, software etc.

Yoga clothing

The latest yoga clothing helps us improve our practice and increases our comfort during yoga sessions by weaving sensors into yoga garments, such as yoga pants, shirts, and even shoe. These sensors senses and transmits the data about your body and positioning. Tech-yoga clothes can be paired with a corresponding app smartphone or tablet, which receives and process the data from the sensors. On the basis of this data the yoga apps can give you guidance about your practice.

Yoga video games

Another latest trend in Tech-yoga is yoga video games. In yoga video games, you do yoga moves following along with a video game. In this way, you do yoga along with entertainment.
This technique may become effective to introduce and make yoga popular among youth. Integrating yoga with technology will result in creating an entirely new market of tech-savvy practitioners internationally. This will not only help in creating awareness about yoga but also promote yoga thereby increasing the total number of yoga practitioners: Yogi.

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